

**Hurley Library Board of Trustees Meeting**  
**3/09/2023 Updated**

**Present** Wendy Hennessey, Heather Blakely, Sue Dugan, Arlene Ryan, Ashley Davidock, Mary Curcio, Judy Mayhon, Diana Cline, Charlene Cornelison, Tracy Priest (Library Director), and Joan Hess (staff, recording secretary)

The meeting called to order at 6:30 PM

Sue made a motion to approve the minutes from the January 2023 meeting, Arlene seconded it, motion passed.

Sue made a motion to approve the minutes from the February 2023 meeting, Ashley seconded it, motion passed.

**Corresponding Secretary Report** A \$50 donation was made by Reverend Stickley in memory of Gary Mayhon.

**Treasurer Report** Received a \$3000 grant. Going to move \$2000 of the grant into the Children's program. Ashley made a motion to move the \$2000 from grant into Children's program budget, Arlene seconded it, motion passed. Heather reported \$36,025.46 in savings, \$40,925.64 in checking and \$63,784.27 in the Capital account. Ashley made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report, Arlene seconded it, motion passed.

\$25,000 of capital account moved, then moved \$1.00 back and forth to keep the account active.

**Director's Report** Heather and Tracy are figuring out best practices for paying vouchers. Considering the different options for snow removal, maybe consider the town doing it again.

**FOHL**

Friends of Hurley Library are doing a fundraiser for the library on April 29th at 7:00 PM. Murder at the Tavern mystery dinner at the Best Western on Washington Avenue in Kingston. The cost is \$75.00 per person. Tickets will be ready tomorrow 3/10/23 and adding Eventbrite links to the website.

**New Business** Over the next two months all committees meet so Tracy can attend and be up to date on what committees are doing. General policy with personnel. There is a current door check time of 11 PM and we would like to change that to 8:30 PM

The facilities committee will meet on 3/35/23 at 4:00 PM

The finance committee will meet on 3/28/23 at 4:00 PM.

The personnel committee will meet on 3/28/23 at 5:00 PM.

Heather as Treasurer must be independent and cannot be a voting member of the

board. We need to determine if Heather can attend meetings and the treasurer can be a paid position.

Ashley Davidock is considered, instead of co-treasurer, the Financial Officer. Ashley will be designated the trustee to go over the vouchers, the Treasurer is **appointed** by the board.

Arlene made a motion to appoint Heather Blakely the Independent Treasurer of the board, Diana seconded it, motion passed.

Heather will look into the options of getting bonded.

Diana made a motion to rename Ashley Davicock the Financial, Mary seconded it, motion passed.

Ashley made a motion to approve the Annual Report, Judy seconded it, motion passed.

Tax Cap Tax Cap Resolution

*Whereas, the adoption of the 2023 budget for the Hurley Library may require a tax levy increase that exceeds the tax cap imposed by state law as outlined in General Municipal Law Section 3-c adopted in 2011; and Whereas, General Municipal Law Section 3-c expressly permits the library board to override the tax levy limit by a resolution approved by a vote of sixty percent of qualified board members; now, therefore, be it resolved, that the Board of Trustees of the Hurley Library voted and approved to exceed the tax levy limit for 2024 by at least the sixty percent of the board of trustees as required by state law on March 9, 2023.*

Sue made a motion to potentially exceed the Tax Cap, Ashley seconded it, motion passed by a 100% vote in favor.

**New Business** Diana made a motion to consider changing the bylaws to be able to have a range of board members instead of a specific number, Judy seconded it, motion passed.

**Old Business** The old library building still has the Hurley Library sign on it and Tracy reached out to the town about having it removed. Informed the library staff that we should avoid parking in the lot in front of the old building. Tracy is looking to get a deadline for the sign removal.

Diana made a motion to adjourn, Mary seconded it, motion passed.

Adjourned at 7:39 PM

The next Meeting is on April 6th at 6:30 PM.