

**Byron Bergen Library Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes
February 12, 2025**

Attendees: Sally Capurso, Katie Rumble, Heather Kent, Anna Marie (Anna) Barclay, Lauren Grimm, Nancy Bailey, Kristina (Krissy) Bird.

Absent: Shirley Wade

Meeting called to order 6:02 pm

Motion to Approve January Minutes.

Made by Anna. Seconded by Heather. All approved.

FINANCIALS:

For the month of January Vouchers 10-24

Total Expenditures for the month: \$10,079.83

Total income for the prior month: \$0

Motion to Approve January vouchers. Made by Anna. Seconded by Lauren. All approved.

Library has to pay a \$20 service charge for the bank account per month. Anna will just account for it vs. vouchering it.

\$81,163 balance as of the 2024 calendar year. This is in the fund balance.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Heather sent a thank you to Marcy Wolcott for donation.

Nona Spitzer's memorial designated the library as a place for donations.

Library Manager Report:

Nancy submitted report.

Go Art report is done.

Annual report will be completed by next week.

Nancy is working on summer programming.

OLD BUSINESS:

Policy and procedure committee met and still wants to meet again in March. Committee made up of Sally, Anna, Lauren, Nancy and Shirley. Will report when everything is completed.

T Grant was awarded for 2025.

Motion to approve the annual T Grant Report. Made by Anna. Seconded by Sally. All approved.

NEW BUSINESS:

Shirley Wade was not present at the Library board meeting because she was at the Town of Byron Town Hall meeting instead. She took pencils and magnets to the meeting and will talk about upcoming events at the library.

Town of Byron voting update: Board will have to get the tax override information prior to getting the petitions signed. Moving forward, the board will have to get the assessment roles from the assessor and determine if we will go over the 2% tax cap. Should get that info around July. The forms and budget will need to be done by November.

The BBPL is going to go out for a Municipal 414 vote in the town of Byron, there is a chance that the amount will go over the 2% tax cap.

Whereas, the adoption of the 2025 budget for the Byron-Bergen Public 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 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 Byron- Bergen Public Library voted and approved to exceed the tax levy limit for 2025 by at least the sixty percent of the board of trustees as required by the state law on February 12, 2025.

Katie will send the town of Bergen and Byron supervisors the library minutes for each month after they are approved.

When attending the Town of Byron meetings, board members will leave some info on the library at the town hall. Also, if we ask some of our Byron Friends of the Library to attend the meetings in Byron.

Committee to come up with the dream budget to include any possible money that is received from Byron. Committee to meet sometime at the end of March and have the board come up with any ideas.

Sally sent out a calendar for the next year with meeting dates, and when reports will be due each month.

Motion to change the start time of the board meetings to 6 pm from 6:30. Made by Krissy. Seconded by Heather. All approved.

Executive Session begins at 6:43

Executive session ends at 6:56

Motion to End Meeting at Sally. Seconded by Heather. All approved.

Respectfully started by Katie Rumble

Next meeting is scheduled for March 12, 2025 at 6:00 pm.