Island Trees Public Library
Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, April 2, 2019, 7:00 pm

IN ATTENDANCE:
Gerald Schmotzer, President
Phyllis Kelly, Vice President
Vincent Formicelli, Trustee
Michelle Young, ITPL Director
Juliet Feeley, Accounts Clerk Secretary
Chris Ostuni, Counsel
Al Coster, ITPL Board Accountant
William Herzog, Secretary/Treasurer

ABSENT:
Anne Harris, Trustee, without excuse

CALL TO ORDER:
Gerald Schmotzer, Board President called the meeting to order at 7:05pm.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:
The Pledge Of Allegiance was recited.
BUDGET HEARING:

Renee Stacy asked about the decrease in the budget for books. Gerald Schmotzer and Michelle Young explained that the library and board decided not to raise taxes due to the property tax hikes affecting the community. The library also underspent, in the book category of the 2018 budget, by $5000. These factors, as well as the need to grow in other areas such as tween and young adult graphic novels, required money to be redistributed.

A community member asked if there was an update about the library construction project. ITPL Board Counsel Chris Ostuni explained that the State has required a redesign for the circulation of air in the gymnasium. The architect has been working on the redesign and should have it submitted imminently.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Gerald Schmotzer made a Motion to approve the Minutes of the 3/21/19 ITPL Board Meeting. Phyllis Kelly seconded the Motion. All In Favor: Unanimous. The Motion passes.

APPROVAL OF WARRANTS:

Gerald Schmotzer made a Motion to approve the Warrant #609, from check 14874-14906, in the amount of $31,777.33. Phyllis Kelly seconded the Motion. All In Favor: Unanimous. The Motion passes.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:
Gerald Schmotzer made a Motion to approve the authorization of the library's Telescope Circulation Agreement. Vincent Formicelli seconded the Motion. All in favor: Unanimous. The Motion passes.

PUBLIC:

Michelle Young informed the board that New York State's Budget for construction aid has gone from $34 million to $14 million. The amount for the Nassau Library System was allocated at $850,000 for 54 libraries.

Michelle Young wanted to thank Ken McLean, the head of the school district's building's department, for helping us fix the community room’s sink.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Gerald Schmotzer made a Motion to go into Executive Session at 7:45 pm. Vincent Formicelli seconded the Motion. All in favor: Unanimous. The Motion passes.

Gerald Schmotzer made a Motion to come out of Executive Session at 9:40 pm. Phyllis Kelly seconded the Motion. All in favor: Unanimous. The Motion passes.

ADJOURNMENT:

Gerald Schmotzer made a Motion to adjourn the April 2, 2019 Board Meeting at 9:45 pm. Vincent Formicelli seconded the Motion. All in favor: Unanimous. The Meeting is adjourned.