

Mount Pleasant Public Library: Board of Trustees Meeting
Minutes of the Meeting of April 16, 2026

Trustees & Liaisons present:

Kent Anker, Meredith Hale, Alexandra Kisielewski, Anthony Lohay, Rebecca Myers, Thomas Sialiano (Town Liaison),

Also present:

Eric McCarthy, Library Director; Martha Mesiti, Assistant Director; Janet Green Children's Librarian

Trustees & Liaisons absent: Frank Casale, Nick Wargo, Julie Edwards, Edward Eisenman, Paul Alvarez (Village Liaison)

Call to order

Administrative: Trustee Rebecca Myers called the meeting to order at 7:07 PM.

Minutes

The minutes of the March 19, 2026 Board meeting were approved. Moved by Trustee Anthony Lohay, seconded by Trustee Meredith Hale, and passed.

Opportunity to Hear from the Public - None

Opportunity to Hear from Liaisons - Tom Sialiano reports that the Town is in support of the developments regarding the Master Plan and is excited to see the results.

Claims of Payment

After discussion, it was moved by Trustee Meredith Hale, and seconded by Trustee Anthony Lohay, that:

It is hereby resolved that, after review, the Library Board approves the following payments for the month of April 2026:

- Invoices charged against Trust & Agency Funds: \$1047.92
- Invoices charged against the General fund: \$48,494.05
- Invoices charged against the General fund paid via the Library credit card: \$3629.91
- Invoices charged against Trust & Agency Funds paid via the Library credit card:
324.13

202604-01 The motion passed.

Directors Report

- One of the MPPL staff members sustained an injury from handling the library popcorn machine. The staff member was treated at the hospital for stitches and is now in recovery.
- Internal staff reorganization related to recent retirees and new appointments: Newly created position of Library Clerk and existing Staff Assistant position will replace Principal Clerk duties.
- Assistant Director Martha Mesiti's office in the main library building required some ACM remediation and wall repair. Discussion about who is responsible for covering the costs for this type of work - the Town of Mount Pleasant and Village of Pleasantville or the MPPL Library?

After discussion, it was moved by Trustee Alex Kisielewski, and seconded by Trustee Rebecca Myers, that:

It is hereby resolved that the following personnel items be approved:

- Pasquale Noce be appointed to the position of Library Clerk, effective date April 20, 2026, at Grade 1, Step 7 of the 2026 Authorized Personnel Salary Schedule
- Rachel Skrzypczak be appointed to the position of Staff Assistant - Library, effective April 20, 2026, at the rate of pay 33.40 per hour detailed in the 2026 Authorized Personnel Salary Schedule

202604-02 The motion passed.

After discussion, it was moved by Trustee Rebecca Myers, and seconded by Trustee Meredith Hale, that:

It is hereby resolved that the Board of Trustees authorize Director Eric McCarthy to file Form 990 related to MPPL's Trust and Agency Funds after consultation and implementation of any recommended revisions by Trustee Edward Eisenman and Board President Kent Anker. This Form 990 will be filed prior to the May 15 deadline.

202604-03 The motion passed.

Old Business

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- After meeting with several architecture firms over the past month (HMA2, H2M, and Gisolfi LLP), the Board of Trustees, Director McCarthy, and Assistant Director Mesiti are in agreement that MPPL should contract with H2M to move forward with the Master Plan project. Those who saw the architect presentations felt H2M provided a polished, comprehensive, and trusted presentation of their ability to complete the project. Director McCarthy will move forward with requesting an estimate from H2M with the hope that the architect will be present at the May library board meeting.

Trustee Rebecca Myers moved for adjournment at 7:54 PM, seconded by Trustee Anthony Lohay.

Next regular meeting: Thursday May 21, 2026, at 7:00 PM at the Main Library

Respectfully submitted,
Alexandra Kisielewski
Secretary