

**Mount Pleasant Public Library: Board of Trustees Meeting**  
**Minutes of the Meeting of December 14, 2023**

Trustees & Liaisons present: Julie Edwards, Rebecca Myers, Eric Neuman, Kent Anker, Mary Ann Quinn, Paul Alvarez (Village Liaison)

Also present: Martha Mesiti, Assistant Library Director

Trustees & Liaisons absent: Dick Malina, James Riina, Frank Casale, Thomas Sialiano (Town Liaison)

Also absent: John Fearon, Library Director

**Call to order**

Administrative: Trustee Edwards called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

**Minutes**

The minutes of the November 16, 2023, Board meeting were approved. Moved by Trustee Neuman, seconded by Trustee Myers, and passed.

No members of the public attended the meeting.

**Opportunity to Hear from Liaisons**

Liaison Alvarez reported that there will be two trustee positions open in this spring's elections.

**Claims of Payment**

After discussion, it was moved by Trustee Anker, and seconded by Trustee Myers, that:

It is hereby resolved that, after review, the Library Board approves the following payments for the month of December 2023:

- Invoices charged against Trust & Agency Funds: \$0
- Invoices charged against the General fund: \$61,435.47
- Invoices paid via the Library credit card: \$1,193.80

**202312-01     The motion passed.**

**Directors Report**

Assistant Director Mesiti presented this month's concise Director's Report. Library finances remain strong, with nothing unusual to report. Use and attendance statistics continue to trend

upward. The Library is very busy in the afterschool hours, but behavior is manageable and appropriate.

The Board then discussed Town Engineer David Smyth's report outlining in detail a phased approach for implementing the Master Plan.

After discussion, it was moved by Trustee Anker, and seconded by Trustee Quinn, that:

It is hereby resolved that the Library Board endorse the Town Engineer's report recommending the phasing of the Library's Master Plan.

**202312-02 The motion passed.**

After discussion, it was moved by Trustee Myers, and seconded by Trustee Neuman, that:

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

- William Anderson be appointed to the position of Librarian I, effective December 10, 2023. His start date will be January 9, 2024, at Grade 4, Step 2 of the 2024 Authorized Personnel Salary.
- Mary Knopp be appointed to the position of substitute librarian, effective January 2, 2024, at the rate of pay detailed in the 2024 Authorized Personnel Salary Schedule.

**202312-03 The motion passed.**

After discussion, it was moved by Trustee Edwards, and seconded by Trustee Anker, that:

The Library Board approves the amended 2024 Hours of Operations, which reflects the 5:00 pm closing of the Library on Christmas Eve (as per the new CSEA contract).

**202312-04 The motion passed.**

Trustee Neuman moved for adjournment at 7:50 pm, seconded by Trustee Edwards.

Next regular meeting: Thursday January 18, 2024, at 7:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mary Ann Quinn, Secretary