

Mount Pleasant Public Library: Board of Trustees Meeting
Minutes of the Meeting of September 16, 2025

Trustees & Liaisons present:

Kent Anker, Frank Casale, Julie Edwards, Edward Eisenman, Meredith Hale, Alexandra Kisielewski, Anthony Lohay, Dick Malina

Also present:

Eric McCarthy, Library Director

Martha Mesiti, Assistant Library Director

Trustees & Liaisons absent:

Rebecca Myers, Paul Alvarez (Village Liaison), Thomas Sialiano (Town Liaison)

Call to order

Administrative: Trustee Edward Eisenman called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Minutes

The minutes of the August 14, 2025 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 - NONE

Claims of Payment

After discussion, it was moved by Trustee Anthony Lohay, and seconded by Trustee Frank Casale, that:

It is hereby resolved that, after review, the Library Board approves the following payments for the month of August 2025:

- Invoices charged against Trust & Agency Funds: \$2,482.25
- Invoices charged against the General fund: \$62,053.68
- General fund invoices paid via the Library credit card: \$1,954.25
- Trust & Agency fund paid via the Library credit card: \$493.70

202509-01 The motion passed.

Directors Report

- The Library's part-time caretaker Andrew Redahan has accepted a new position; the Library will explore increasing hours of janitorial services in the interim of hiring a replacement caretaker
- The Library Finance Committee met to begin a holistic review of the Library's financial wellbeing; the Certificate of Deposit that required action has been renewed for an additional five months at an interest rate of 3.55%
- 320 hours have been donated by Library staff to cover fellow employee leave

After discussion, it was moved by Trustee Edward Eisenman, and seconded by Trustee Anthony Lohay that: It is hereby resolved that the Library Board accept the TK Elevator Contract.

202509-02 The motion passed.

After discussion, it was moved by Trustee Julie Edwards, and seconded by Trustee Dick Malina that: It is hereby resolved that the Library Board accept the 2025 Annual Report to the Community with corrections discussed at the meeting.

202509-03 The motion passed.

Personnel

After discussion, it was moved by Trustee Alex Kisielewski, and seconded by Trustee Frank Casale that: Maria Trapasso be appointed to the position of Principal Library Clerk, effective September 5, 2025, at the rate of pay specified in the 2024 Authorized Personnel Salary Schedule.

Trustee Meredith Hale moved for adjournment at 8:08 pm, seconded by Trustee Kent Anker.

Next regular meeting: Thursday, October 16 at 7:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Alexandra Kisielewski
Secretary

INTERNAL Master Plan Updates:

- Aiming to schedule meetings with Town Supervisor prior to holiday rush
- Library Board will review Master Plan updates and discuss strategy for securing funding for each stage of project
- Library Director and Board will discuss options for maintaining Library operations throughout active phases of construction