

Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Free Public Library of the Borough of Longport

July 15th, 2019 5:00 PM

Call to Order: President Roy Law called the meeting to order at 5:01 PM

Announcement of Compliance with Open Public Meetings Law: This meeting is called pursuant to the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Law. Notice of this meeting was advertised in the Press of Atlantic City on December 26, 2018 and sent to the Current on December 21, 2018. Notice of this meeting was also posted on the Library's website and in Longport Borough Hall. Official action may be taken at this meeting.

Recording of Attendance: Treasurer Patricia (Trish) English, President Roy Law, Member Erin Schiavo, Member Dolores Wilson, Member Damen Tomassi, Mayor Nick Russo, Library Director Ricky Gerhardt.

Also in Attendance: No additional people in attendance.

Absent: Elizabeth Peterson-Ricci

Old Business: Approval of minutes from June 17th meeting (Drafts previously distributed to board members). Erin Schiavo motioned for approval of minutes, Trish English seconded the motion. All in favor, none opposed.

Public Comment: none

New Business:

President's Report: There was discussion of changing by-laws specifically related to omitting the July and August meetings and the protocol for doing so.

Treasurer's Report: Trish English reported that the beginning balance was \$210, 745.92, cash receipts totaled \$114.27, Cash disbursed was \$20, 709.09, with an ending balance of \$190, 151.10. Dolores Wilson motioned to accept the Treasurer's report, Erin Schiavo seconded the motion. All in favor none opposed.

Bill Pay List: The bill pay list was reviewed and presented by Trish English. Erin Schiavo motioned to approve the bill pay list, Dolores Wilson seconded. All in favor, none opposed.

Director's Report: Ricky reported that the checkout for June were greater than 1,000, up from last June. The summer programs, including summer reading, Bingo, Summer Concert series, and Trivia have been very successful. The waiting list for Delia Owens has 57 people, and Ricky explained that phone calls had been made to verify that those who got tickets can attend.

Ricky reported that the new ILS system is up and running well and that the patrons are adjusting nicely to the change.

Nick Russo brought up the idea of expansion. Roy explained that a committee has been formed to explore this idea and other strategic plans.

Public Comment: none

Adjournment: Erin Schiavo motioned to adjourn the meeting at 5:16PM, Trish English seconded the motion. All in favor none opposed.