

Board of Trustees of Morley Library

September 20, 2023

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of Morley Library was called to order at 4:30 PM on September 20, 2023 by Mr. Keener. The following members were present:

Ms. Coffee	Mr. Keener	Mr. Di Iorio	Ms. Lipps
Ms. Nasca	Ms. Severa	Dir. Martinez	Ms. Norman

The minutes of the July 19, 2023 regular Board Meeting were reviewed. Ms. Coffee moved that the minutes be approved as submitted, Mr. Di Iorio seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

The July and August Treasurer's Reports were reviewed. Ms. Nasca moved that the July reports be accepted, Ms. Lipps seconded, and the motion carried unanimously. Ms. Nasca moved that the August reports be accepted, Ms. Severa seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Norman asked that the Board make the following reallocations in the General Fund's 2023 Appropriation: \$1 000 to #2151 Adult & Teen Program Supplies from #4100 Books & Pamphlets; \$700 to #2900 Other Supplies from #2200 Maintenance Supplies; \$500 to #3110 Travel & Meeting Expense from #4100 Books & Pamphlets; #800 to #3120 Training Expense form #4100 Books & Pamphlets; \$300 to #3151 Adult & Teen Program Refreshments from \$4360 DVDs; and \$700 to #3751 Adult & Teen Program Services from #4360 DVDs. She also asked that \$500 be added to the 2023 Special Projects Fund's 2023 Appropriation to cover supplies needed for a grant received from the American Library Association. Ms. Coffee so moved, Ms. Lipps seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Nasca moved passage of the following resolution:

RESOLUTION 2023-07
ACCEPTING THE AMOUNTS AND RATES AS DETERMINED BY THE BUDGET
COMMISSION AND AUTHORIZING THE NECESSARY TAX LEVIES AND CERTIFYING THEM TO
THE LAKE COUNTY AUDITOR

RESOLVED, by the Board of Trustees of Morley Public Library, Lake County, Ohio, in accordance with the provisions of law has previously adopted a Tax Budget for the next succeeding fiscal year commencing January 1st, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the Budget Commission of Lake County, Ohio, has certified its action thereon to this Board together with an estimate by the County Auditor of the rate of each tax necessary to be levied by this Board, and what part thereof is without, and what part within, the ten mill tax limitation; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, by the Board of Trustees of Morley Public Library, Lake County, Ohio, that the amounts and rates, as determined by the Budget Commission in its certification, be and the same are hereby accepted; and be it further

RESOLVED, that there be and is hereby levied on the tax duplicate of said Library the rate of each tax necessary to be levied within and without the ten mill limitation as follows:

General Fund	\$1 239 182.00
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County Auditor's Estimate of Tax Rate to be Levied (outside 10 mill limit) = 1.00
General Fund Continuing Levy authorized by voters on 11/06/18 = 1.00

And be it further RESOLVED, that the Fiscal Officer of this Board be and is hereby directed to certify a copy of this Resolution to the County Auditor of said County.

Mr. Di Iorio seconded and the resolution passed unanimously.

Ms. Norman updated the Board on recent staffing changes, and reported that initial service expansions made possible by increased staffing in Children's Services had been enthusiastically received by patrons.

Director Martinez reported that the Kiwanis Park StoryWalk Project was up and running as of August 30. A local Girl Scout troop has installed a Little Free Pantry on library property (outdoors) and stocked it for the community. They will be responsible for ongoing restocking and maintenance. The Management Team met with NEORLS consultants in August to update the Library's Strategic Plan, and their ideas have been submitted to Library staff for commentary. It should be ready for Board approval by the October meeting. Finally, she noted that program planning was beginning for the 2024 Solar Eclipse this spring.

Director Martinez reported that Albert Di Iorio had made a \$20 gift to the library in memory of former employee Jack Gilbert. Ms. Coffee moved that the gift be accepted with gratitude and Ms. Lipps seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Changes to the library's Meeting Room Policy were reviewed and approved by all members.

Review of Board Bylaws was postponed to the October meeting. Director Martinez will send copies to members to allow for review prior to the meeting.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned by Mr. Keener at 5:25 PM.

Kenneth Keener, President

Catherine Nasca, Secretary