

**Meeting Date:** Tuesday, March 28, 2023

**Call to Order:** 8:30 AM by President Kaiser

**Present:** Ariel Bero, Mike Kaiser, Rick Kinsella, John Nichols, Michele Ryan, Katherine Wojciechowski, Patricia Albaugh

**Excused:** Lillian White, Nicole Smith

**Adopt Agenda:** Motion to Adopt: Nichols moved; Kinsella seconded. Approved.

**Opportunity for Public Comment:** None

**Approval of Minutes:** Minutes of February 28, 2023, meeting. Motion to Accept: Kinsella moved; Wojciechowski seconded. Approved.

**President's Report:** Kaiser congratulated trustees-elect and presented the Budget Vote and Trustee Election results:

Election Results:

Budget: 160 Yes 20 No

John Nichols: 161 Votes, Elected to 5-year term, expiring June 30, 2028

Nicole Rossi: 154 Votes, Elected to 5-year term, expiring June 30, 2028

Brianna Sprole: 153 Votes, Elected to complete a vacant term, which expires June 30, 2026.

MOTION: To accept the Election results. Nichols moved, seconded Kinsella. Carried.

Discussion of the sale of Legacy building. Requirements of the sale are being met by the buyer, process continues to progress.

Flagpole: Ryan reported that Ed Keplinger is preparing the paperwork for the bid process for purchase and installation of the flagpole. The flagpole will be bid as part of the amphitheater project. Meeting at Planning Board April 11, 6:30. OPL submission of application for amphitheater and flagpole project will be made at that time.

Kinsella reported that he has a donation of flat landscaping rocks that can be used to form a walking path to be used with the green area near Main Street. He will install these; gratitude is expressed to Eileen Kinsella for the donation.

**Treasurer's Report:** Michele Ryan presented the month's total expenditures of \$16,777.85 from the Operating Account.

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MOTION: To approve February/March 2023 expenditures of \$16,777.85 from the Operating Account and pay them in the usual manner. Kinsella moved, Nichols seconded, Approved.

Management Report from UBI was presented. Board members examined report and checks.

### **Director's Report:**

Ryan reported that the self Check-out station will be installed on Friday, March 31 and staff will be trained.

She presented details of proposed upgrades to security system.

MOTION: To authorize Ryan to upgrade security system. Moved Kinsella, seconded Nichols. Carried.

February stats for circulation (3556), attendance (3305), programs (1375), etc are very good.

The next NYS Construction Grant application will be for the enclosure for the amphitheater pavilion.

Bero reported on NYS Humanities Grant action that she is working on with Tom Murray. The grant encompasses proposed activities for the 2023-2024 OPL 100th birthday celebration.

### **Reports of Standing Committees:** None

### **Reports of Special Committees:**

Pillars of the Library Committee: Albaugh reported that all copy for the plaques is complete. Next step is to meet with Katherine Laube, graphic designer, to discuss and submit the copy.

Flag Committee: Wojciechowski reported: Discussed details of flagpole project. \$5000 budgeted. Placement, etc. Discussed possible heights and materials, lighting, etc. Internal halyards and fiberglass construction are recommended. Chris Bishop worked on the flagpole project for the Veteran's memorial project at Oneida Castle and is willing to come speak with us about details. Ryan recalled that a memorial gift had been designated for flagpole activity.

**Unfinished Business:** Wojciechowski brought up the landscaping issues in front of the building. Weeds have taken over and upkeep is too much. Thanks to Dawn Kinsella for her volunteering on this project. Ryan discussed the idea of laying sod in that area to avoid the weed issue. She will pursue the sod idea.

**New Business:** None.

### **Announcements:**

**Next Regular Meeting: Tuesday, April 25, 8:30 AM. Community Room.**

**Motion to Adjourn:** Kinsella moved, Nichols seconded. Carried at 10:02 AM

Respectfully Submitted,

Patricia K. Albaugh, Secretary