

**MINUTES
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
“SPECIAL” MEETING
SMITHTOWN LIBRARY
August 4, 2015**

A special meeting of the Board of Trustees (“Board”) of the Smithtown Library (“Library”) was held on the 4th day of August, 2015 at 4:10 p.m. in the offices of the Library located at 148 Smithtown Boulevard, Nesconset, New York.

The following trustees were present and participating at the meeting: Gerard J. Cairns, John C. Martins, Suzanne Mohr, Diana Schilling-Held, Otis M. Thornhill and Joseph Vallone. Trustee Rudy W. Zientarski was absent with prior notice.

Also present were Library Director Robert Lusak, Treasurer Joanne T. Grove and Clerk Linda Taurassi.

John Martins, President of the Board of Trustees, acted as Chairman of the meeting and Linda Taurassi, Clerk of the District, acted as Secretary of the meeting.

The board deliberated and took the following action:

1. At 4:11 p.m. Trustee Otis Thornhill moved that the Board enter executive session pursuant to Article 7, §105(F) of the Public Officers Law, to discuss the employment history of a particular person.

The motion was seconded by Trustee Gerard Cairns and adopted by a unanimous 6-0 vote.

The following trustees were present and participating in executive session: Gerard J. Cairns, John C. Martins, Suzanne Mohr, Diana Schilling-Held, Otis M. Thornhill and Joseph Vallone.

Also present was Library Director Robert Lusak, Treasurer Joanne T. Grove, and Clerk Linda Taurassi.

Upon a motion by Trustee Otis Thornhill, seconded by Trustee Diana Schilling-Held, and adopted by a unanimous 6-0 vote, the meeting reconvened in open public session at 4:41 p.m.

2. The Library Board discussed several options pertaining to the Library’s 2016 budget and whether or not the state-mandated tax cap should be pierced. Budgeted revenues and expenses were discussed in detail given the recent separation/retirement of eleven employees. The general consensus was that the tax cap would not be pierced in 2016; however, all options will be considered in forecasting the required 2017 budget.

The Library Board will meet in early September for further discussion and approval of the 2016 budget.

3. Library Board President John Martins noted that the next regular meeting of the Library Board was scheduled for August 18, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. at the Kings Park Branch, at which time the Board would choose a date for a "Special" meeting to approve the 2016 budget.
4. Library Board President John Martins moved the following resolution:

Resolved: That the Board of Trustees of the Smithtown Library Special Library District does hereby accept the resignation in her letter dated August 5, 2015, of Anya Martin, Library Assistant, Technical Services Department, Nesconset Branch, effective December 31, 2015 under the terms and conditions offered by attorney Kevin Seaman and verbally accepted by Anya Martin [on Friday, July 31, 2015].

The motion was seconded by Trustee Diana Schilling-Held and adopted by a unanimous 6-0 vote.

ADJOURNMENT

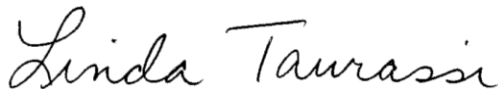
5. There being no further business, Library Board President John Martins moved to adjourn the meeting at 5:53 p.m. The motion was seconded by Trustee Otis Thornhill and adopted by a unanimous 6-0 vote.

Linda Taurassi
Secretary

Minutes approved this 25th day of August, 2015.



John C. Martins, President
Smithtown Library Board of Trustees



Linda Taurassi, Clerk