

**MINUTES
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
“SPECIAL” MEETING
SMITHTOWN SPECIAL LIBRARY DISTRICT
September 8, 2016**

A special meeting of the Board of Trustees (“Board”) of the Smithtown Library (“Library”) was held on the 8th day of September, 2016 at 4:00 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, Diana Schilling-Held, Otis M. Thornhill, Joseph Vallone and Rudy Zientarski. Trustee Suzanne Mohr was absent with prior notice.

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

John Martins, President of the Board of Trustees, acted as Chairman of the meeting.

The board deliberated and took action upon the following matters:

1. Report of the BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE to adopt the 2017 budget for the Smithtown Library.

After discussion, Library Board President John Martins moved adoption of the following resolution:

- a. *RESOLVED: WHEREAS, the adoption of the 2017 budget for The Smithtown Library will require a tax levy increase that exceeds the cap imposed by state law as outlined in General Municipal Law Section 3-C adopted in 2011; and*

WHEREAS, General Municipal Law Section 3-C expressly permits the library board to override the tax levy limit by a resolution approved by a vote of sixty percent of qualified board members;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of The Smithtown Library acknowledges its intention to levy a tax for 2017 which exceeds the cap imposed by state law as outlined in General Municipal Law Section 3-C as the board deems it to be in the best interest of the Library. As required by state law, this resolution has received at least a sixty percent vote of the total governing Board of Trustees, and it is binding.

The motion was seconded by Trustee Joseph Vallone and adopted by a unanimous 6-0 vote.

Library Board President John Martins moved the following resolution:

- b. RESOLVED: *That the report of the Budget and Finance Committee pertaining to the proposed 2017 Budget be adopted; said budget to be adopted in the amount of 14,303,158.00 (copy of report appended to the original of these minutes).*

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

2. At 4:35 p.m. Library Board President John Martins moved that the Board enter executive session pursuant to Article 7, §105(F) of the Public Officers Law to discuss the employment history of particular persons. The motion was seconded by Trustee Otis Thornhill and adopted by a unanimous 6-0 vote.

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

3. Upon a motion by Library Board President John Martins, seconded by Trustee Otis Thornhill and adopted by a unanimous 6-0 vote, the meeting reconvened in open public session at 4:56 p.m.
4. Upon a motion by Library Board President John Martins, seconded by Trustee Joseph Vallone, and adopted by unanimous consent, the Library Board approved the contractual increase of Library Director Robert Lusak effective September 11, 2016, under the terms and conditions as stated in his current employment contract.
5. Library Board President John Martins noted that the next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees would be held at 7:00 p.m. at the Smithtown Main Library building on September 20, 2016.

ADJOURNMENT

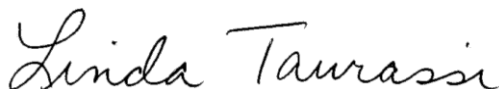
6. There being no further business, Trustee Joseph Vallone moved to adjourn the meeting at 4:59 p.m. The motion was seconded by Trustee Otis Thornhill and adopted by a unanimous 6-0 vote.

Linda Taurassi
Secretary

Minutes approved this 27th day of September, 2016.



John C. Martins, President
Smithtown Library Board of Trustees



Linda Taurassi
Secretary to the Board of Trustees