

MINUTES
“SPECIAL” MEETING
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
THE SMITHTOWN LIBRARY
July 26, 2018

A “SPECIAL” work session meeting of the Board of Trustees of The Smithtown Library was held at the Kings Park Building, Kings Park, New York on the 26th day of July, 2018 at 6:30 p.m.

The following Library Trustees were present and participating at the meeting: Brianna Baker-Stines, Anita Dowd-Neufeld, Gerard J. Cairns, Louis S. Frontario, John C. Martins. Trustees Joseph Vallone and William Zimmerman were absent with prior notice.

Also present were Library Director Robert Lusak, Treasurer Joanne T. Grove, and Clerk Lauren Gunderson.

Upon a motion by Library Board President Gerard Cairns, seconded by Trustee John Martins and adopted by a unanimous 5-0 vote, the following items were tabled for future discussion:

1. Smithtown Library Policy 500-9 – Sexual Harassment
2. Development of a Hostile Work Place Policy

Library Treasurer Joanne Grove updated the Board on matters pertaining to the Smithtown Library Foundation. Ms. Grove communicated with Attorney General Karen Goldberg’s office and was assured that the matter is still under investigation.

At 6:45 p.m. Library Board President Gerard Cairns moved to enter executive session pursuant to Article 7, Section 105(F) of the Public Officer’s Law to discuss the employment history of a particular person. The motion was seconded by Trustee John Martins and adopted by a unanimous 5-0 vote.

Upon a motion by Library Board President Gerard Cairns, seconded by Trustee Louis Frontario, and adopted by a unanimous 5-0 vote, the meeting reconvened in open public session at 7:35 p.m.

Library Board President Gerard Cairns moved the following resolution:

That the Board of Trustees of The Smithtown Library contract with independent council for a matter of the Board for an independent investigation with Chris Ring and Associates, in an amount not to exceed \$250.00 per hour.

The motion was seconded by Trustee Louis Frontario and adopted by a unanimous 5-0 vote.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

Next "Regular" meeting of the Board of Trustees – August 21, 2018 - 6:30 p.m. – Kings Park Building.

There being no further business, Library Trustee John Martins moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 p.m. The motion was seconded by Trustee Anita Dowd-Neufeld and adopted by a unanimous 5-0 vote.

Minutes approved this 21st day of August, 2018.



Gerard J. Cairns, President
Smithtown Library Board of Trust



Lauren Gunderson, Clerk
Secretary Pro-Tempore



Patricia Thomson
Secretary Pro-Tempore