

**BOARD OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES**  
**Monday**  
**September 12, 2022 – 6:30pm (Keys Meeting Room and Zoom)**

**Present:** Trustees Paul Hays (Chairperson), Hyacinth Crichlow, Philip Driscoll, John Folcarelli, Jaime Levash, Sindu Meier, Michael Musto, James Potter, and Library Director, William Adamczyk

**Absent:** Kristine Hodlin

**State of the Library:** W. Adamczyk reviewed the work the library has been part of FY22 usage digital verses physical over the last 4 years and compared to like towns/cities, programing, and highlighting improvements. Will reviewed FY23 budget, priorities, initiatives and town topics.

**Secretary's Report:** On a motion by J. Potter seconded by P. Driscoll, the minutes of the June 13, 2022 Board of Library Trustees Meeting were approved with no abstention.

**Citizens Speak:** Friends of the Milton Library reviewed the directors, services provided, and where you can find more information about the Friends: <https://mplfriends.org/>

**Equity & Inclusion Committee Report:** J. Levash reported that the Annual Event is scheduled for Saturday, September 17<sup>th</sup> alongside Milton's Porch Fest. Food, music (Owl Haus), activities, giveaways, and the Friends and Foundation will have space, all part of the celebration from 12-2pm.

**Art Committee:** H. Crichlow reported

**Building & Grounds Committee Report:** W. Adamczyk reviewed the solar options for the library. W. Adamczyk is following up with the solar company since the quote for the work has not been received. W. Adamczyk discussed the town is studying parking but it is slow due to new memberships in various committees. W. Adamczyk mentioned a company looking at accessibility access to the front patio and pulling a quote for the work. When the building was reconstructed, it was granted an allowance for the patio which is not accessible at this time. This wavier was given since no events/ classes are held there. The library is looking to host events and classes out there thus, the accessibility would need to be updated.

**Directors Report:** W. Adamczyk provided usage statistics and gave updates on the following: 200 children partipated in the summer reading program, town DEI consultants provided update on town employees' satisfaction, evaluation and input on the town environment, and more to come on the consultant work in the community for library services/satellite work.

**Collection Development Policy:** W. Adamczyk reviewed what has occurred nationally regarding 1<sup>st</sup> amendment rights and book challenges. People come to a town hall, police station, or other governmental building, film the employees looking to draw attention. The more you

give to the filmers, the more of a chance your reaction will be posted on youtube. The less reaction or asking them if they need any help, the less likely your footage will be posted.

Currently, books are being challenged, specifically books on black and LGBTQ+ cultures. MPL has a process in place to review books and if a community member would like to appeal a book, the process can be implemented.

**Future Meetings:** P. Hays reviewed the Trustee's Calendar and reminded Trustees the next meeting is November 14<sup>th</sup>, in-between, work can be completed within the subcommittees.

**Future Meeting Dates:** November 14, 2022

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** None

**Adjourn:** A motion by P. Driscoll seconded by H. Crichlow to adjourn the meeting was passed unanimously, and the meeting adjourned at 7:42 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,  
J. Levash  
Secretary