

**FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY OF MONROE TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Regularly Scheduled Meeting May 19, 2021

A. Call to Order:

The April meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Free Public Library of Monroe Township was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President, Suzanne King, followed by Pledge of Allegiance. Those present: Joyce Samoyan, Jeanne Kirsch, John Pohler Robin Lewis, Barbara Chamberlain, Ron Garbowski, Janet Mead, Suzanne King and Samantha Snyder. President Suzanne King confirmed that tonight's meeting was being held in compliance with the requirements of the Open to the Public Meetings Act.

B. Public Portion (Open/Close)

President, Suzanne King opened the Public Portion of the meeting, Mary Ellen Muth, a member of the public, was invited by Janet Mead to discuss with the Board what to do with the trees and the garden surrounding the building.

Joyce Samoyan made a motion to have all the trees removed by Buildings and Grounds, seconded by Barbara Chamberlain. All voted in favor.

Joyce Samoyan made a motion to have the Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts weed and tarp the garden beds, seconded by Jeanne Kirsch. All voted in favor.

C. Approve April 2021 Minutes: Motion to approve the April 2021 Minutes was made by Joyce Samoyan seconded by Jeanne Kirsch. All voted in favor.

D. Financial Reports: Motion to approve the Financial Reports for April 2021 was made by Joyce Samoyan seconded by Barbara Chamberlain. All voted in favor.

E: Approve Vouchers: Motion to approve the payment of the Vouchers for April 2021 was made by Barbara Chamberlain seconded by Jeanne Kirsch. All voted in favor.

F: Director's Report:

Building: Samantha Snyder reported the Governor will be easing capacity restrictions starting May 19th. Samantha reported we may start incorporating some socially distanced furniture back into the Library.

The whole Library building will be treated for the termite problem starting Tuesday,

May 18th. Samantha reported that the slats in the front bench have been replaced and the solar panel crew is still working out back.

Staff: Samantha reported our long time shelper Sonia gave her two weeks' notice. Samantha reported someone should be starting once the interviews are completed.

Samantha reported that the Library is one person away from being a fully vaccinated Staff. Samantha reported that the Librarians are currently preparing for Summer Reading.

Upcoming Policy Adjustments:

Samantha that the Library's Policy on drugs #25 - A Policy on a Drug-Free Workplace will need some language changed due to the marijuana laws in NJ changing.

Other Tidbits:

Samantha reported we have purchased the bags discussed in the last Board meeting, the NJLA Conference is coming up next month. It will be a livestream in the computer lab.

G: Committee Reports:

John Pohler reported, Barbara Chamberlain, Robin Lewis, Joan Betterly and Alan Kirkby helped him with the mulching of the Library Garden. The Friends reported they like the bags and discussed whether to sell masks at the book sale, decided not to.

H: Old Business:

There was no old business to report.

I: New Business:

The Board discussed the changes Barbara Chamberlain made to the By-Laws for the Board of Trustees.

J: Adjournment:

A motion to adjourn was made by Barbara Chamberlain and seconded by Joyce Samoyan at 8:30pm. All voted in favor

Respectfully Submitted
Karen Uhl, Transcriber

Suzanne King, President
Board of Trustees

