

DRAFT MINUTES

Present: Marjorie Galen, presiding; Yvonna Kopacz, Erica Lockwood, Cathy Martin, Kathryn Shattuck, Maria Gagliardi, recording.

Excused: Laurie Ferguson, Kris Haberman

CALL TO ORDER: Marjorie called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM JUNE 11 AND JULY 9, 2025 MEETINGS: Cathy moved and Kathryn seconded. All in favor.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

Maria reported that statistics for August look good, not a lot of change from previous month or 2024. Youth Librarian Jennifer Rolenz resigned to take a position at the Nyack Middle School. Maria hired the new Youth Librarian, Juliana Muñoz. Maria submitted the NYS Library Construction Grant Application and made the changes recommended by RCLS reviewers.

FINANCIAL REPORT

- Operating Budget Report – we are on schedule. There will be some savings in personnel benefits with the change in staffing.
- Restricted Funds – we have the funding to complete our renovation, but we will not have a lot left over after the job is done.
- Update on 2026 Request for Town Funding – Marjorie presented our request for 2% increase. There were no questions or comments from the town board.

BUILDING REPORT

- Renovation updates Bathroom and Storage – storage is nearly complete, as is the lighting. The lighting in the reference area needs attention because the new lights are not as bright as the previous fixtures, and at the same time, are too bright to look at. Mike Esmay will give us some ideas on how to proceed.
- Renovation updates Children's room expansion next year – moving slowly through the permit process.

OLD BUSINESS

- Long Range Plan Updates - Maria met with the part time staff to discuss the surveys and get their ideas for the library.

NEW BUSINESS

- Farm Day - the logistics were reviewed

Adjournment: Yvonna moved and Erica seconded. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 7:51 pm.