

**Oxford Memorial Library
Board of Trustees Meeting
February 8, 2024**

Attending: Matt Voce, Julia Bogardus, Mike Ford, Nancy Wilcox, Jodi Carey, Bill Brower, April Ray

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Matt Voce.

Mike moves to accept the January minutes, Julia seconds. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report

The cash balances for January were \$441,145.79. Total receipts were \$205. The budget is now remaining at 43%, which is 1% above our projected remaining amount. The check detail for January was \$\$13,849.89.

Julia motions to accept the January Treasurer's Reports, Jodi seconds. Motion passes.

Old Business

Nancy was in contact with two people regarding working on our fire alarm system. We are hoping for an update next month.

Follow up Projector update - we are still looking at a large screen TV to replace the projector.

Julia made a motion not to exceed \$1,500, on a flat screen tv, setup and sound bar. Bill seconds, motion carried.

New Business

Follow up to our conversation last month about CD's and earning interest on our money. The best rates are for the 5 month CD's

Bill made a motion to invest money into CD's at NBT, from the areas listed in the below breakdown. Mike seconds. Motion passes.

Savings -

25k

25k

50k

All of memorial fund - 8732.66

Capital fund - 200k

Committee Reports

Nominating committee:

Public Relations:

Policy and Personnel:

Long Range Plan:

Follow up to the transition plan - Nancy shared the Library Director Transition Guide with the trustees. It is a basic guideline, not a policy.

Building and Maintenance:

Julia asked about what the plan is for the front porch since it is in bad shape. Matt explained that the quote we have from Lee Boll includes everything. We are waiting on the grant from the NYS Construction project. Matt will contact Lee to get on his radar for the project this spring or summer.

Solar update - the Blink car chargers are apparently not connected to the solar panels and instead are tied into the library's electricity. We are going to look into this and potentially consider charging those who are charging their vehicles.

Budget:

Matt presented a draft budget and explained what amounts are being raised. The trustees are asked to review the budget and we will vote on it next month.

TBCBRC:

Three new park time interns have been hired to help with the website and an office assistant to help Trish.

TBCBRC is moving forward with the tax-exempt non profit organization.

The center plans to host the June meeting of the New York Covered Bridge Society.

Director's Report

We received the annual \$500 from the George and Elizabeth Mead Foundation for operating expenses.

Vicky House presented a book talk and signing for her new book.

Henry Drexler will be presenting a program "Abandoned in Chenango" this Saturday, February 10th.

Nancy is working on the NYS 2023 annual report.

There is going to be a change with the Dolly Parton Books from Birth program. It will no longer be run through the Guernsey Memorial Library and instead it will be run through the United Way of Mid Rural NY. New applications will be sent to the United Way.

Nancy and other directors met with Assemblyman Joe Angelino at his office in Chenango Bridge in early February.

Trustee Comments:

Julia mentioned that the Tiger Cub Scouts did some litter cleanup around the library this afternoon for a volunteer activity.

Mike mentioned that he will not be in town for the March meeting.

Bill motions to adjourn, Julia seconds. Meeting adjourned at 8:04 pm.

Next meeting: Thursday, March 14th @ 7:00 pm