

**The Nyack Library
Board of Trustees
Minutes of Regular Meeting
August 6, 2007**

Present:

Ellen Simpson
Paul D. Shein, Treasurer
Joan E. Moffett, Vice-President
Mary Callan
Roger W. Seiler, President
E. Michael Growney, Jr.
Debra Karten
Judith Lawler

Absent:

Jeffrey McDowell
Myria Jean-Gilles
*Foster Bass
*James L. Case, Secretary

*Excused

Staff:

James Mahoney, Library Director
Carol Weiss, Library Clerk

1. The meeting opened at 7:55 PM in the Library Meeting Room with Roger Seiler as Chair.
2. **Minutes:** The minutes of the June 4, 2007 meeting were accepted and upon motion by Joan E. Moffett, second by Judith Lawler, were unanimously approved. The June 12, 2007 minutes of the Special Meeting were accepted and upon motion by Debra Karten and second by Mary Callan were unanimously approved.
3. **Director's Report:** James Mahoney reported on the end of the bond approval and the Architectural Review Board processes. He briefly explained how materials in the adult non-fiction collection have been weeded out and removed. Other items concerned personnel resignations.
4. **Executive Session:** Mr. Mahoney requested a move to executive session which was accomplished with a motion by Joan Moffett, seconded by Roger Seiler. A personnel matter was discussed.
5. **Treasurer's Report:** Paul Shein reported on cash, operations, and budget and James Mahoney detailed the bond financing. Specifics were included in the written Treasurer's Report which was distributed to trustees. Upon motion by E. Michael Growney, Jr. and second by Debra Karten, the Treasurer's Report was unanimously approved.
6. **Committee Reports:**
Building Committee: Ellen Simpson reported that the committee is interviewing for an Interior Design Consultant. The test well for the geothermal system was operated for 72 hours beginning July 23. Bill Helmer reported that the data collected (about temperature changes at various levels underground) included an anomaly and the contractor will need to retest, absorbing the cost of the second test.

7. **Old Business:**

8. **New Business:**

- a. The financing resolution, as prepared for us by attorney Robert O. Senzer of Mintz Levin, for the IDA Bond adopted April 2, 2007 was not comprehensive enough. E. Michael Gowney, Jr. moved and Paul Shein seconded the acceptance of “A Resolution Amending Resolution of the Board of Trustees Adopted April 2, 2007.” This was unanimously approved.
- b. Nyack Library has made two applications for funds in New York State Public Library Construction Grants program.
 - 1) From the \$800,000 small project program, the Library has applied for \$19,000 (half of estimated cost) to restore the front entryway, doors and steps. A motion made by Mary Callan which called for the Board of Trustees to approve the authentication of the grant application, seconded by Debra Karten, was unanimously passed.
 - 2) From the \$14,000,000 program, the Library has asked for \$217,500. A motion made by Paul Shein which called for the Board of Trustees to approve the authentication of the grant application, seconded by Judith Lawler, was unanimously passed.

This meeting adjourned at 8:55 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Weiss
Library Clerk