

**MINUTES  
SPECIAL MEETING  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
THE SMITHTOWN LIBRARY  
September 6, 2023**

A SPECIAL meeting of the Board of Trustees of The Smithtown Library was held on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2023. The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. with the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

The following Library Trustees were present and participating at the meeting: Brianna Baker-Stines, Mildred Bernstein, Barbara Deal, Anita Dowd-Neufeld, Howard Knispel and Thomas Maher. Trustee Annette Galarza was absent without prior notice.

Also present were Library Director Robert Lusak, Assistant Library Director Patricia Thomson, Assistant Library Director Eileen Caulfield, Clerk Lauren Gunderson, Treasurer Kevin Miller, and Secretary Linda Taurassi.

Brianna Baker-Stines, President of the Board of Trustees, acted as Chairman of the meeting.

The board deliberated and took action upon the following matter:

1. Report of the BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE to adopt the 2024 budget for The Smithtown Library.

Library Board President Brianna Baker-Stines moved to approve the adoption of the following resolution:

*RESOLVED, that the report of the Budget and Finance Committee pertaining to the proposed 2024 budget be adopted; said budget to be adopted in the amount of \$17,292,960.00*

The motion was seconded by Trustee Howard Knispel. After a presentation by Business Manager Jennifer Piano pertaining to 2023 budget highlights, and detailed information given by Business Manager Jennifer Piano and Library Treasurer Kevin Miller, concerning the 2024 proposed budget, the motion was adopted 6-0 by the following roll call vote:

FOR—Baker-Stines, Bernstein, Deal, Dowd-Neufeld, Knispel, Maher; AGAINST—none

2. Library Board President Brianna Baker-Stines noted that the next “regular” meeting of the Library Board of Trustees was scheduled to be held Tuesday, September 19, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. at the Smithtown building.

3. There being no further business, Trustee Brianna Baker-Stines moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:21 p.m. The motion was seconded by Trustee Thomas Maher and adopted 6-0 vote roll by the following roll call vote:

FOR—Baker-Stines, Bernstein, Deal, Dowd-Neufeld, Knispel, Maher; AGAINST—none

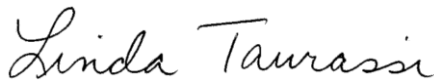
Minutes approved this 19<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2023.



Brianna Baker-Stines, President  
Smithtown Library Board of Trustees



Lauren Gunderson  
Secretary Pro-Tempore



Linda Taurassi  
Secretary to the Board of Trustees