# TOWN OF BERLIN BERLIN-PECK MEMORIAL LIBRARY BOARD BOARD ROOM WEDNESDAY NOVERMBER 8, 2023 6:30 PM

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## **ATTENDANCE:**

# **Members Present**

Chairman Donna Moore, Vice Chairman Robert Lewis Carol Welz, Karen Pagliaro, Chris Fasciano

# **Staff Present**

Kim McNally

# **Members Absent**

Kevin Wilhelm, Lilian Ulan, Gail Marino, Elaine Borselle

# **CALL TO ORDER:**

Chairman Moore called the meeting to order at 6:39 p.m.

## **AUDIENCE OF CITIZENS:**

None

# **REVIEW OF MINUTES:**

Karen Pagliaro moved to approve the minutes, October 11, 2023, seconded Carol Welz, passed unanimously.

### LIBRARIAN'S REPORT:

Director McNally reported Melinda Sexton has accepted a full-time position at Russell Library in Middletown. We are so excited for her and will miss her. Anne presented on Courageous Conversations at NELA conference on her own. There were more than 450 responses on our Strategic Planning Survey which ended on October 30<sup>th</sup> and the data is being assessed. A word cloud was made with the most popular words given in the survey. There were significant increases in visits, cards holders, program attendees, questions answered and total items in the library in Fiscal Year July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023. Bad art night art is in the display case. The partnership started with the schools. Director McNally signed up for a Philanthropy class. Topics discussed are community and fundraising. Karen Pagliaro agreed to help draft a donation letter for the library to send out to the community.

# **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

Chairman Moore reported that she sent a get-well card out to Gail Marino who has surgery.

## FRIENDS OF THE BERLIN PECK MEMORIAL LIBRARY REPORT:

Director McNally reported that the book store hours will be decreased next month due to the holidays.

# **ADJOURNMENT:**

Robert Lewis made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:00 p.m., seconded by Karen Pagliaro, passed unanimously.

Submitted by,

Marlo Thomas Matassa Recording Secretary

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