

**MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
KINGSTON LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

AUGUST 18, 2022

Held Via Zoom Video Conferencing

Presiding: Ursula Inghem, President

CALL TO ORDER at 6:50 PM by Ursula Inghem, President

ROLL CALL

Board Members in Attendance (8):

Ursula Inghem, President

Sara Wenk, Vice President

Lisa Lerner

Gerard Harrington

Joseph Braby

Frances Cathryn Vigna

Erica Brown (joined at 6:57 PM)

Maria Krein (joined at 7:04 PM)

Board Members Absent (1):

Sarah Franklin

Others Present:

Margie Menard, Executive Director

Suzanne Campise, Recording Secretary

Robert Schofield, attorney

DISTRIBUTION MATERIALS

Resolution (2023 Budget & Tax Levy Increase) 4875-3872-6190

Resolution (Project Scope) 4875-7044-5358

Resolution (Referendum) 4854-8762-2958

Resolution (SEQR Type 2) 4853-3160-4782

Resolution (Tax Cap Override) 4889-9473-9502

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA FOR SPECIAL BOARD MEETING - Motion: Ursula Inghem, seconded by Joe Braby, to approve agenda for the Special Board of Trustees (BOT) for August 18, 2022. Motion approved unanimously 6-0.

NEW BUSINESS

1. **Resolution to override the Tax Levy Limit for 2023.** Robert Schofield expressed a technicality that this resolution on the Tax Levy Limit override for 2023 needs to be approved *before* the 2023 Operating Budget is approved. Therefore, a vote for re-approval for both resolutions in the correct order is needed. **Motion:** Ursula Inghem, seconded by

Gerard Harrington, that the Board re-approve the Tax Levy Limit for 2023 Fiscal Year as presented. Motion approved unanimously 7-0. (Erica Brown joined meeting in time for this vote).

2. **Resolution to approve 2023 Operating Budget** — **Motion:** Ursula Inghem, seconded by Sarah Wenk, to adopt the proposed 2023 Operating Budget and directs that a vote on an increased tax levy in the amount of \$1,034,585 be placed on the ballot for the Annual Library Election. Motion approved unanimously 7-0.
3. **Resolution Determining that the Proposed Library Construction Project constitutes a Type 2 Action under SEQR.** Robert Schofield described the categories of the environmental consequences and clarified how this renovation is a Type 2 Action, rather than a Type 1 Action, and no environmental survey would be needed. — **Motion:** Ursula Inghem, seconded by Joseph Braby, that the Board of Trustees finds that the Project constitutes a Type II Action and that no further action on SEQR is required. Motion approved unanimously 8-0. (Maria Krein joined for the meeting in time for this vote).
4. **Resolution Establishing the Scope of the Library Construction Project** — **Motion:** Ursula Inghem, seconded by Maria Krein, that the Board of Trustees accept this resolution establishing the scope of the Library Construction Project as presented. Motion approved unanimously 8-0.
5. **Resolution calling for an Annual Election to fill six trustee vacancies, vote on a tax levy increase for the operating budget, and vote on proposition authorizing the financing of the Library Construction Project.**— **Motion:** Ursula Inghem, seconded by Maria Krein, that the resolution scheduling the Annual Election to fill six Library Trustee vacancies and to allow qualified voters of the Library District to vote on propositions to increase the tax levy collected in support of the Library’s operating budget and to finance a proposed capital project, as described be approved. Motion approved unanimously 8-0.

AJOURNMENT: There being no further business to conduct, Ursula Inghem adjourned the meeting at 7:14 PM.

RESOLUTIONS

08-18-2022-1: **Motion:** Ursula Inghem, seconded by Gerry Harrington, that the Board re-approve the Tax Levy Limit for 2023 Fiscal Year pursuant to General Municipal Law § 3-c(5), for the purpose of the Kingston Library District 2023 Fiscal Year budget, the tax levy limit imposed by General Municipal Law §3-c(3). Motion approved unanimously 7-0.

08-18-2022-2: **Motion:** Ursula Inghem seconded by Sarah Wenk, to adopt the proposed 2023 Operating Budget and directs that a vote on an increased tax levy in the amount of \$1,034,585 be placed on the ballot for the Annual Library Election. Motion approved unanimously 7-0.

08-18-2022-3: **Motion:** Ursula Inghem, seconded by Joseph Braby, that the Board of Trustees finds that the Project constitutes a Type II Action and that no further action on SEQR is required. Motion approved unanimously 8-0.

08-18-2022-4: **Motion:** Ursula Inghem, seconded by Maria Krein, that the Board of Trustees accept this resolution establishing the scope of the Library Construction Project as presented. Motion approved unanimously 8-0.

08-18-2022-5: **Motion:** Ursula Inghem, seconded by Maria Krein, that the resolution scheduling the Annual Election to fill six Library Trustee vacancies and to allow qualified voters of the Library District to vote on propositions to increase the tax levy collected in support of the Library's operating budget and to finance a proposed capital project, as described be approved. Motion approved unanimously 8-0.

Respectfully Submitted by
Suzanne Campise, Recording Secretary