

**TENAFLY PUBLIC LIBRARY**  
**MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING**  
**March 14, 2022**

The Board of Trustees of the Tenafly Public Library met on March 14, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. at the Library for its regular Board meeting.

**Board Members Present:** President Kathleen Cook, Vice President Soon Juhng, Secretary/Treasurer Martin Gilbert, Teresa Austin, Nicole Motz, and Elizabeth Warms who attended remotely.

Absent: David DiGregorio, Meena Krishnamsetty and Patrick Rouse.

Staff Present: Library Director Julie Marallo and Administrative Assistant Ann Marie Connolly.

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. Julie Marallo reported that notices of the meeting had been posted and sent to the media.

**Minutes**

Board members approved the Minutes of the regular Board meeting of February 14, 2022. Moved by: Soon Juhng. Seconded by: Elizabeth Warms. Unanimously approved.

**Treasurer's Report**

Martin Gilbert reviewed with the Board the Library's financial statements of February 2022. He noted that he had examined and approved the statements and reported that they were current and accurate. A motion was made to approve the financial reports. Moved by: Teresa Austin. Seconded by: Kathleen Cook. Unanimously approved.

**Correspondence**

None

**Director's Report**

Spartan Construction received the building supplies earlier than expected and work on the building started on Thursday, March 10, 2022 with an expected completion time of about 5 weeks. Keith Licata, the Project Manager from Collier Engineering & Design, Inc., informed Ms. Marallo that the interior work will include opening the walls. This will involve removing the book shelves from the walls and temporarily relocating the materials involved. Plastic sheeting will be put up to minimize dust, but we do not know how much disruption of services there will be.

Herbert Stern, the artist presently exhibiting in the gallery, has been advised that his paintings will have to be removed earlier than expected. Board member Elizabeth Warms has cancelled the jazz concert scheduled in April, and a new date is being considered.

The Head of Maintenance, Joseph Rossi, has scheduled Suburban Glass to visit the library to discuss what should be done with the windows.

The Board also discussed the condition of the ceiling tiles, and it was noted that the tiles in the high slanted ceiling are no longer being manufactured.

Ms. Marallo will ask for a clarification of whose responsibility it is to paint the interior walls after they are replaced.

**President's Report**

Kathleen Cook was happy to finally be able to meet with the Board members in person. She thanked Julie Marallo for making the virtual meetings possible and the Board members for their dedication during these difficult times.

**Old Business**

None

**New Business**

None

**Report from the Mayor's Alternate**

Nicole Motz reported that the Mayor and Council will be announcing the name of the Borough's new engineering company next week. They will be doing the specs for the new roof.

**Report from the Superintendent's Alternate**

None

**Citizen's Portion of the Meeting**

None

**Any Other Business**

None

**Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 7:46 p.m. Moved by: Martin Gilbert. Seconded by: Teresa Austin. Unanimously accepted.

Respectfully submitted,

Martin Gilbert  
Secretary/Treasurer

The next regular meeting of the Library Board of Trustees will be on Monday, April 11, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.

Approved: April 11, 2022