

HAZARD LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
Emergency Meeting March 5, 2014

Meeting called to order at 9:10 p.m. Present were Rachel Karn (secretary), Jay Ardai (treasurer), Denise Littlejohn, Amy Emerson, Kris Minster, Kathy Bailey and Lisa Semenza (library director). Ken Knight (president) was excused. Rachel presided in Ken's absence.

This meeting was held in order to vote on the issue of requesting additional taxpayer funding before the March 10 school board meeting.

Questions were raised as to whether the board passed the required tax cap override resolution in conjunction with this year's budget. No such record was found in our minutes.

Amy volunteered to seek advice from the New York Library Association as to whether we can still ask for an increase at this point.

MOTION: To pass the following tax cap override resolution: (Amy/Jay: all in favor)

Whereas, the adoption of this 2014 budget for the Hazard Library may require a tax levy increase that exceeds the tax cap imposed by state law as outlined in General Municipal Law Section 3-c adopted in 2011; and

Whereas, General Municipal Law Section 3-c expressly permits the library board to override the tax levy limit by a resolution approved by a vote of sixty percent of qualified board members; now therefore be it

Resolved, that the Board of Trustees of the Hazard Library voted and approved to exceed the tax levy limit for 2014 by at least sixty percent of the board of trustees as required by state law on March 5, 2014.

MOTION: To request an increase of \$6,000 (in line with Aurora Library's request) on this year's school budget ballot, pending advice from NYLA. (Rachel/Kris) Motion passed (4 in favor, 2 opposed).

MOTION: To request a funding increase of whatever amount is allowable under the current tax cap should NYLA advise against the previous motion. (Jay/Rachel) All in favor.

Lisa offered to contact Elaine Meyers (Aurora Library Board) with the results of this meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 9:50 p.m.