

**LELAND TOWNSHIP PUBLIC LIBRARY  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
October 24, 2022**

**Board Members Present:** Jennie Berkson, Bret Crimmins, Berkley Duck, Michael Fleishman, Alan Hartwick, Laurie Lisuk

**Board Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** Mark Morton

Berkley Duck, President, called the meeting to order in the Munnecke Room at 9:01 a.m.

**Minutes**

On motion duly made and seconded, the minutes of the meeting held September 12, 2022, were approved.

**Financial Report**

The financial report included with the meeting materials was presented with no unusual items. Mark will investigate the options for temporary investment of a portion of the current fund balance in certificates of deposit and provide a proposal to the Board. There will be a substantial increase in the township's property tax revenues due to higher valuations, with the result that our millage revenues will amount to approximately \$225,000 for the next fiscal year.

**Director's report**

The Director's report included with the meeting materials was presented with no unusual items.

**Old Business**

Expansion project – There was a discussion of the advisability of engaging a fundraising professional. Concerns were expressed regarding the cost and the risk of appearing to be too “slick”. Mark has talked with prospective local volunteers experienced in fundraising who are willing to assist. The next step will be to get from our architects new cost estimates for the project. Mark plans to convene a Building Committee to get feedback and buy-in.

Seawall project – According to Susan Och, a private individual has offered to provide the funding for this project.

**New Business**

Director and staff evaluations will be completed in December. The Board discussed the possibility of installing a curbside drop box in the turnaround.

The November meeting of the Board was cancelled; the next meeting will be December 12.

**Public Comment**

There was no public comment.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:15 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennie Berkson  
Secretary