

**LELAND TOWNSHIP PUBLIC LIBRARY  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
December 12, 2022**

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

**Board Members Absent:** None

**Public:** Julie Preneta, Leelanau Township Library Director

**Staff Present:** Mark Morton

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

**Minutes**

On motions duly made and seconded, the minutes of the meeting held, October 24, 2022, were approved.

**Financial Report**

The financial report included with the meeting materials was presented with no unusual items.

**Director's report**

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

The Library will close 3 days at Christmas and New Year's.

**Old Business**

The Board reviewed the Bylaws. Amendments to Article II, Sections 10 and 15, were approved in the form included with the meeting materials.

The Township Board will explore DNR and SPARK grants to address the cost of replacing the seawall. The business community has stressed the importance of getting this done.

Berkley had an inquiry from Township Board member about timing of our construction. He responded that our timing is flexible.

Mark said that it has been difficult to get a building committee together for the expansion project. Chris Tuohey, a local architect, will be helping with an estimate on the project.

The Board unanimously approved the purchase of a 4% 14-month CD from Huntington for \$125,000.

The Board requested that Mark obtain a quote on an outside Library drop box.

**New Business**

Mark reviewed the draft budget for the fiscal year 2023-2034 included with the meeting materials. The budget included a recommendation from Mark for a 9% increase in salaries and wages to reflect an 8.7% increase in the cost of living. The draft reflects a small operating surplus.

The staff is reviewing the expenditures for audiobooks, DVDs and periodicals given electronic options now available.

**Public Comment**

There was no public comment.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:10 am

Next meeting January 9, 2023

Respectfully submitted,

Jennie Berkson  
Secretary