

**Tuckahoe Public Library Board of Trustees**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**Monday, March 16, 2009**

**Call to Order:** 7:10 pm

**In attendance:** Joanne Kennedy, Ed Keenan, Alison Chilson, Ginger Crosby, Debbie Coppola (Director).

**Signing of Vouchers**

March Vouchers: \$4,105.26, Trust & Agency \$0

**President's Report:**

Approval of February minutes - Motion to approve Joanne, Ed 2<sup>nd</sup>. All in favor  
Meeting with Mayor Fitzpatrick – Joanne and Debbie met with the mayor to discuss the budget. March 26<sup>th</sup> the Village Board is meeting for the final budget. Snow – to close or not to close – closing for inclement weather? All but two of the 38 libraries in the WLS were closed. The TPL board president and the library director would make the decision regarding whether or not to open. The mayor has expressed his opinion about this. He feels that if the schools are closed the library should be open to accommodate the students. There has to be a guarantee from the DPW that the parking lot and sidewalks are cleared so there is not a safety issue to the staff and patrons. It was proposed to offer Comp time to the employees who work that day.  
Also, it would be logical for the community center to also be open to accommodate the students. Further discussion is needed between the village and the library.

**Library Liaison Report:**

Calendar – events to talk about at the Village meeting

Monthly Library Calendar: Luigi to highlight:

Origami for Beginners March 18<sup>th</sup> 4PM & 5PM  
Story Time on Fridays - see calendar for times  
Adult Book Club March 26<sup>th</sup> 11AM & March 30<sup>th</sup> 6:30PM  
Adult Computer Class March 19<sup>th</sup> 12Pm or 1:30 PM  
Meet the Author - Francis Madsen April 14<sup>th</sup> 11:30AM  
Meet the Author (ages 12+) – Lynn Biederman April 15<sup>th</sup> 6PM

**Director's Report:**

Circulation: 6295 up from 6011 in 2008 & 5495 in 2007

Vote on budget transfers to adjust for parking lot payment:

1. The funds that were used from library T&A have now been put back.
2. The deposits from the grants were removed as well.
3. The cost of the parking lot minus the grants were divided in half between the library and the DPW funds.

4. The funds were taken from the library fund balance in the amount of \$2200.
5. A vote to increase the library budget by \$2200 and the decrease in the same amount for the expense was taken. Joanne made the motion and Ginger seconded it, all in favor.

Library Mission Statement – Debbie would like to create a mission statement for the library and asked the board members to present their ideas at the April meeting for discussion.

Giving Tree update - \$771.78 total for 2008

Lobby Day report – Debbie went to this well attended event to ask for budget money to be reinstated.

**Old Business:**

**Next Meeting:**

Monday, April, 20, 2009 at 7pm

**Public Discussion** – limit to 3 minutes per person

**Executive Session**

**Adjournment:** 8:15 PM, Motion by Joanne, Alison 2<sup>nd</sup>, All in favor

Ginger A. Crosby  
Recorder of Minutes