

AURORA TOWN PUBLIC LIBRARY  
550 Main Street, East Aurora, New York 14052  
Regular Monthly Meeting  
April 26, 2022, 1:00 p.m.

**Minutes**

Present: Alice Askew; Martha Buyer; Kara Spencer Ching; Elaine Chow (virtual); Adam Zaremski; Library Director, Paula M. A. Klocek; Town Councilman, James Granville

President Kara Spencer Ching called the meeting to order at 12:42 p.m.

1. Comments from the audience: No comments
2. A motion (AA, EC) to approve the Minutes of the Meetings from March 29, 2022 was carried by a voice vote.
3. A motion (AZ, EC) to approve the Treasurer's Report: Monthly Financial Statements & Internal Auditor Report: March 2022 was carried by a voice vote.
4. A motion (MB, EC) to approve the Director's Report: March 2022 was made by Martha Buyer and seconded by Elaine Chow.
5. Reports of Interest
  - a. B&ECPL is fine free. All overdue, hold, unclaimed, and referral fees are gone. All of these bills for users whose last activity date is from over 7 years ago are being waived. Director Klocek explained the current change for Fine Free and highlighted recent success in materials being returned from patrons.
  - b. Honorable Joseph C. Lorigo of the Erie County Legislature, recognized the Aurora Town Public Library during National Library Week by sending a proclamation in our honor.
  - c. New York State ARPA Digital Inclusion Grant through WNYLRC is funding (1) Chromebook Kit and (2) Hotspots for circulation on Adult and Youth cards with Internet permission to enjoy free Internet access.
  - d. ATPL is participating in an outreach opportunity with Parkdale Elementary for Family Literacy Night on Thursday, May 5 at 6:00 p.m.
  - e. Donations are being collected April 12 – May 28 to help Sleep in Heavenly Peace give comfortable beds to children in need to sleep on.
  - f. ATPL is holding a Connect with You Library FREE Raffle. For every 5 items checked out on a patron's library card earns them a chance to win a family pack of books. Entries are accepted from 4/1-28. The winner will be selected at random on 4/29 at 10:00 a.m.
  - g. In celebration of the 200th birthday of Frederick Law Olmsted (April 26, 1822- August 28, 1903), the Aurora Town Public Library will showcase a display on Olmsted's local work, put together by the national Olmsted Parks organization, from June 1 through June 30, 2022 during regular library hours.

6. Personnel

- a. Director Klocek said she would extend the job posting for a part time cleaner after only receiving one application. She is hoping for more applicants. It has been posted to various community boards and the Aurora Town Board website.
- b. A motion (MB, AZ) was made to accept the Payroll Report: Pay Period 6 was carried by a voice vote.
- c. The board did not enter into executive session.

7. Old Business

- a. No old business

8. New Business

- a. Fine Free FAQ
- b. The Annual ACT Workshop will be held on Saturday, May 7, 2022 @ 9:15 a.m. Board President Spencer Ching and Trustee Buyer said that they will be attending the ACT meeting.
- c. Trustee Buyer noted that the library would host a musician associated with the Roycroft Chamber Music Festival on June 9 at 6:30 p.m.
- d. Trustee Askew provided a copy of an article from the *Washington Post* regarding library censorship as an informational resource to board members.
- e. Trustee Zaremski asked Councilman Granville if the library could qualify for Community Development Block Grants to make capital improvements to the building. Granville said he would look into the topic.
- f. President Spencer Ching thanked Trustee Askew for her time as president on the board, saying Askew was a great role model.

The next regularly scheduled meeting will take place on May 24, 2022 at 1:00 p.m.

A motion (MB, AA) was made to close the meeting at 1:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Adam Zaremski  
Secretary