

Tupper Lake Public Library Board Meeting Minutes, February 10, 2026

Call to Order by Rick Wilburn at 9:45 a.m.

Attendance: Rick Wilburn, Suzanne Orlando, Donna Sloan, Sue McGowan, Bob Guiney

Adoption of Agenda: Agenda approved as presented.

Minutes of Meeting of January 13, 2026: Motion by Donna, second by Sue to approve. All in favor. (5-0)

Public Expression: None

Financial Report:

- The board reviewed the financial report for the first seven months of the fiscal year. No significant areas of concern were raised. Things seem to be tracking well. Motion by Suzanne, second by Donna to approve the report. All in favor. (5-0)
- Bills and payroll for January were provided for the board's review. Motion by Donna, second by Sue to approve. All in favor. (5-0)
- Moody Funds: A report from a representative overseeing the Moody Funds indicate that the performance of the investments has declined and that future distributions will necessarily trend downward. The board deemed it not necessary to invite this individual to a future board meeting for further discussion.

Monthly Report to the Board:

- January's statistics show 1,498 patron visits, 92 phone calls fielded, 34 email requests answered, 96 computer sessions provided, 27 magazines loaned and 43 individuals using the community room.
- Waiting for the Children's Room lights to be fixed. Bruce Wild has a partial estimate on the cost of repairs.
- Looking into the purchase of a new printer for staff use and back up for when the main printer is out of order.
- New keys for the library are in. The staff has the ability to open and close both upstairs and downstairs.
- The internet went down on Thursday, February 7th from 9:30am – 2:30 pm. However, since then, it has been operating fine.
- A request for a new vacuum has been requested. The cannister vacuum is not working properly. Rick will pursue this issue further.
- Various grants the library hopes to obtain include an AARP Grant which would upgrade the community room. Items to be included would be installation of safer flooring, acquisition of ADA compliant furniture, and a community art project to create an accessible space that supports year-round
- programs for residents 50+.
- The 2026 Generous Acts (after school tutoring) Grant would provide a program for local students to blend individualized academic help with the strength of intergenerational community involvement.
- The 2026 Generous Acts Summer Reading Program Grant seeks support for a free intergenerational summer reading program designed to strengthen literacy and build community connection.

Budget:

- The board reviewed work on the budget for the 2026-2027 fiscal year. It was noted that the finalized budget will be presented to the board at the March meeting for final approval. A further meeting will be held on February 24, if necessary, to tie up any loose ends.

Executive Session:

- The board entered executive session at 10:55 a.m. to discuss the transition under new leadership.
- The board resumed the regular meeting at 11:05 a.m.

Senior Activities:

- The board discussed the use of the community room for senior activities. Motion by Donna, second by Sue to approve the building for senior activities with fees to be determined on a sliding scale. All in favor. (5-0)

Meeting adjourned at 11:09 a.m.

Next regular meeting of the Board is March 10, 2026

Minutes submitted by Bob Guiney