

## **Tupper Lake Public Library Board Meeting Minutes, March 10, 2026**

**Call to Order** by Rick Wilburn at 9:30 a.m.

**Attendance:** Rick Wilburn, Suzanne Orlando, Donna Sloan, Sue McGowan, Bob Guiney, Library Director Peter Nastasi

**Adoption of Agenda:** Agenda adopted as presented.

**Minutes of Meeting of February 10, 2026:** Motion by Suzanne, second by Sue to approve. All in favor. (5-0)

**Public Expression:** None

### **Financial Report:**

- The board reviewed the financial report for the first eight months of the fiscal year at 67%.
- Telephone expense is higher than anticipated due to the change in SLIC coverage.
- Bills and payroll expenses for March were also examined.
- Motion by Suzanne, second by Donna to approve the financial report and bills and payroll report. All in favor. (5-0)

### **Monthly report to the Board:**

- February's numbers show 1,449 patron visits, 88 phone calls fielded, 32 email requests answered, 102 computer sessions provided, 23 magazines loaned, and use of the community room by 46 individuals.
- The children's room lights were fixed on Friday, February 27<sup>th</sup>. The electrician will send Bruce Wild an invoice, who will share it with Rick.
- Our new director, Peter Nastasi, began work on Monday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>. A meet and greet is scheduled for March 10<sup>th</sup> at 11 a.m. for the public to meet with Peter.
- Three volunteers have begun their time at the library. Allie sent out an email to the staff regarding the volunteers and their schedules. Hayley sent a follow up email regarding tasks the volunteers will tackle. This will enable staff to know how the volunteers will be spending their time at the library.
- The staff are excited to work with our new director and can't wait to see what he brings to the library.
- The handheld vacuum is broken and needs to be replaced. Beth has asked that we consider purchasing a handheld vacuum for upstairs so the heavy vacuum can mostly remain downstairs without having to be carried up and down. Motion by Donna, second by Sue, to purchase a new vacuum with the price not to exceed \$1,000.00. All in favor. (5-0)
- Monthly calendar contains program schedule for the month of March.

### **Old Business:**

- The board reviewed the budget for 2026/2027. Mr. Nastasi proposed that some expense line items be adjusted to allow for increased spending on professional development for staff.
- Motion by Donna, second by Sue, to approve the amended budget in the amount of \$356,500, of which \$323,179 is to be levied upon the taxpayers of the Tupper Lake Central School District. All in favor. (5-0)

**Meeting adjourned at 10:45 a.m.**

**Next regular meeting of the Board is April 14, 2026**

**Minutes submitted by Bob Guiney**