

Haworth Library Board of Trustees Meeting – Monday, March 9, 2026

IN ATTENDANCE:

Betsy Usami		Deepti Dutta	X	Councilperson Jane Cabourg	X	Laurie Roncati	X
Brenda Kahn	X	Erica Krasny	X	Jennifer Eisberg	X	Regina Eftychiou	X
Chris Stratton		Mayor Heather Wasser		Jody Rozenblit	X		

1) CALL TO ORDER:

TIME 7:02 by Regina Eftychiou

- 2) **SUNSHINE LAW:** Pursuant to the terms of the Open Public Meetings Act, notice of this meeting has been given to local newspapers, posted in the Haworth Library, published on the Haworth Library website and provided to the municipal clerk.

- 3) **OPEN TO PUBLIC FOR COMMENTS:** Open for comments at 7:03 pm. No public present, closed at 7:04 pm.

4) APPROVAL OF MINUTES from Monday, February 9, 2026

A motion to approve the minutes was made by Brenda Kahn and seconded by Erica Krasny. The motion was approved unanimously.

5) TREASURER’S REPORT:

Included in Director’s Report

The list of checks includes two new vendors

- Cleaning World, for maintenance of the community room, kitchen and bathroom floors.
- The Penworthy Company, for bound phonics books, for early readers.

A motion to approve the checks for February 2026, was made by Jody Rozenblit and seconded by Laurie Roncati. Motion passed unanimously.

6) DIRECTOR’S REPORT

- **Borough Check Received:** The library received the first quarter installment for the year 2026 from the borough hall.
- **Floors cleaned:** The community room and kitchen floors were stripped and waxed and the bathroom floors were cleaned.
- **Book Displays:** The adult collection highlights books on Women’s History Month and the children’s room has a display on upcoming holidays.
- **Art Exhibition:** The new exhibition titled ‘Extremes’ highlights work by Susan Kasson Sloan and will be on display from March 5th to April 13th, 2026. A reception will be held on Saturday, March 7th from 11:30 am – 1:30 pm.
- **Snow Day/ Delayed opening:** The library was closed on Monday, February 23rd due to snow and had a delayed opening on Wednesday, February 25th.
- **Memorial Service for Florence Poris** will be hosted at the library on Saturday, June 6th. The family requested permission to serve food and wine. I reached out to the Borough Clerk for guidance about

Social Permit for serving alcoholic beverages. I was advised that although a permit will not be required in this instance (it is BYOB and money is not being exchanged), the event organizer will have to sign a hold harmless agreement and submit a certificate of insurance for the event, to protect the borough, should something happen. In addition, the Library Board of Trustees should approve the hosting of the event by a resolution.

- **Per Capita State Aid** is a grant program administered by the New Jersey State Library (NJSL). A yearly report is submitted which collects data about library's income, grants received, expenditures, staff, hours, library collections, circulation, library services, programs and attendance. The 16-page application is due on Monday, March 16th, 2026.

Friends of the Library:

- **Reading Table** should be delivered and assembled by March 10th.

Youth Services

- Allison attended the Statewide Summer Reading Workshop at Livingston library on March 2nd.

Trustee Education

- The continued education requirements are changing this year. Each trustee will need to complete a minimum of 2 hours per year for the library to receive the State Aid (among other requirements).

7) Mayor's / Council Report

- The fishing contest was moved to May 9th to avoid conflict with the Town wide Garage Sale scheduled on May 2nd.
- Swim club is scheduled to open on time.
- Planning commission will meet tonight at 8 pm, as some members could not attend the meeting on MLK Day.
- Committee Reports are available online.
- The new Pickle Ball Court to be located at the swim club, might replace the practice court.
- With the current affordable housing agreement, the Borough of Haworth meets its obligation till 2035.

8) Old Business: None

9) New Business: None

10) MOTION TO ADJOURN:

A motion to adjourn was made at 7:26 pm by Erica Krasny and seconded by Brenda Kahn. Motion approved unanimously.

11) NEXT MEETING:

Monday, April 20th, 2026, at 7 pm at Haworth Library and Zoom. School Spring Recess Apr 13-17.