

Haworth Library Board of Trustees Meeting – Monday, April 20, 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	X	Mayor Heather Wasser		Jody Rozenblit			

1) CALL TO ORDER:

TIME 7:03 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:

4) APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion was made by Brenda Kahn and seconded by Erica Krasny to approve the minutes from the regular meeting on March 9th, 2026. Motion passed unanimously.

5) TREASURER’S REPORT:

The library balances are in good standing. Nothing unusual in the first three months of the year.

A motion to approve the checks for March 2026 was made by Chris Stratton and seconded by Laurie Roncati. Motion passed unanimously.

6) DIRECTOR’S REPORT

Housekeeping:

- **The State Report** was submitted and a copy was emailed to the BCCLS office.
- **Roof Clean up:** Library roof and gutters were cleaned. A report will be sent later.
- **Book Displays:** The adult collection highlights books on ‘Women in historical clothing facing away from the camera’ and the children’s room has a books displayed on Earth Day, baseball and spring.
- **Art Exhibition:** The new exhibition titled ‘Peaceful Nature’ is a collection of photographs of nature by a Haworth resident, Cynthia Soroka-Dunn. Her work will be on display from April 16th to May 23rd, 2026. A reception is scheduled for Saturday, April 18th from 11:30 am – 1:30 pm.
- **Memorial Service for Florence Poris** will be hosted at the library on Saturday, June 6th at 2:30 pm.
- **Pickleball donation:** Library received a donation from Haworth Pickleball Committee.

Friends of the Library:

- **Haworth 5K Donation:** Friends of the Library received a donation from the Haworth 5K committee.
- **Reading Table** was delivered but has the wrong finish on the top. It will be replaced later this month.

- **Donation in Memory of Florence Poris:** Beth Potter, Emily Lachman and Barbara Zahor are working on the purchase and installation of a bronze sculpture titled 'Storytime'. It is being donated by Seta Nazarian and will be installed, with a dedication and donor plaque, in the flower bed by the brick patio, outside the children's area. A wall plaque will also be placed inside, at the children's room window.
- **Upcoming Fundraisers:**
 - **Town Wide Garage Sale** is scheduled on Saturday, May 2nd, 2026 (rain date Sunday, May 3). 50 residents have registered so far.
 - **Engraved Memorial Bricks:** The Friends of the Library are working to replace the gravel path with bricks.

Youth

Allison reorganized the children's space and moved collections to make them more accessible to the youth. The board books were moved to the play area and the juvenile DVDs and music CDs were moved with the adult collection. The shelf space is now used to highlight and display new items.

Summer Reading Kickoff is scheduled for Wednesday, June 24 at 2:30 pm. This year's theme is 'Unearth a Story', focusing on archaeology, paleontology and dinosaurs. A face paint artist has been booked for two hours for this event. The Friends of Haworth Library sponsor the programs and prizes for the Summer Reading Event.

Adults

- **[Adult Craft – Paint a Bird House](#):** Join us to paint a Bird House donated by Board President Regina Eftychiou on Wednesday, April 22nd, 2026 at 6 pm.
- **[Adult Book Club](#):** The members will read *The Satisfaction Café* (Wang, 2025) for their next meeting on Wednesday, May 13th, 2026 at 1 pm.
- **[Adult Cook Book Club](#):** Members will select recipes and prepare a dish from *Giada's Italy* (De Laurentiis, 2018) for the upcoming Cook Book Club meeting on Wednesday, May 20th, 2026 at 7 pm.

7) Mayor's / Council Report

- i. The council meeting was held on April 7th due to the school spring recess.
- ii. Student fees for Pickle ball and Swim Club were established.
- iii. The Swim Club published new resident and non-resident fees to accommodate families of all sizes.
- iv. Fees for the Summer Rec Camp have also been posted. They will offer both before and after care.
- v. A DPW worker was rehired. He specializes as a mechanic.
- vi. Bids are out for property re-evaluation.
- vii. Borough budget presentation scheduled for May 12th.
- viii. Summer Rec will pay for using the swim club.

8) Old Business: None

9) New Business:

a. Resolution for the approval of a Memorial for Florence Poris on Saturday, June 6 at 2:30 pm
was made by Brenda Kahn and seconded by Jennifer Eisberg. Motion approved unanimously.

b. Letter from the Auditors

It is a standard letter. The library has had the same auditors for a few years now. The Borough of Haworth also uses their services.

A motion to accept the letter by auditors Lerch, Vinci & Bliss was made by Chris Stratton and seconded by Brenda Kahn. Motion approved unanimously

10) MOTION TO ADJOURN:

A motion to adjourn was made at 7:22 pm by Laurie Roncati and seconded by Erica Krasny. Motion approved unanimously.

11) NEXT MEETING:

Monday, May 11th, 2026, at 7 pm at Haworth Library and Zoom.

Respectfully submitted,
Brenda Kahn, Regina Eftychiou and Deepti Dutta