## Haworth Library Board of Trustees Meeting – Monday, July 14, 2025

#### IN ATTENDANCE:

Betsy Usami	Х	Deepti Dutta	Х	Jennifer Eisberg	х	Councilperson Peter Laub	Х
Brenda Kahn	Х	Erica Krasny	х	Jody Rozenblit	х	Regina Eftychiou	х
Chris Stratton		Mayor Heather Wasser		Laurie Roncati	х		

### 1) CALL TO ORDER:

**TIME** – 7:00 pm by Betsy Usami

- 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 and provided to the municipal clerk.
- 3) OPEN TO PUBLIC FOR COMMENTS: No public present, closed at 7:01 pm
- 4) APPROVAL OF MINUTES from Monday, June 9, 2025

Moved by Brenda Kahn Seconded by Erica Krasny Motion passed unanimously.

### 5) TREASURER'S REPORT:

Included in the director's report

A motion to approve the Checks# 3535 – 3555 in the amount of \$ 14,848.35

Moved by Brenda Kahn Seconded by Erica Krasny

Motion passed unanimously.

## 6) DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- **New Team Member**: Lauren Jackson joined as a substitute library assistant on June 26th, 2025. She also works at River Vale Public Library and is trained in circulation tasks.
- HVAC update: The refrigerant levels in the system were restored to the required level.
- Electrical update: Three broken receptacle covers for the floor outlets were replaced.
- **Bank Signatories update:** The paperwork for updating the signatories for the bank accounts was completed.
- **Clogged Restroom**: Assistance from Thomas Runge at DPW was requested again when the restroom in the children's area was not flushing properly. A plumber was called to trouble shoot.
- Fire Inspection: The building was inspected and passed the fire inspection.
- **Library Display:** The adult collection highlights books with a love triangle. The children's area showcases books on colors.
- **Exhibition:** The new exhibition titled Dreaming, features photographs by Ruth Plucinski who is the past president and current board member of the Ridgewood Camera Club. The Reception is scheduled for Saturday, July 12<sup>th</sup> from 11:30 am 1:30 pm.
- Rec Camp visit: Allison is hosting one storytime per week for the Haworth Rec Camp.
- Summer reading Kickoff was very well attended. Almost 50 children signed up on that day. They participated in a scavenger hunt, made a craft and got their caricature sketched. As of today there are 122 children registered. Last year there were 135. The number of Adults who have registered so far are 58. Last year there were 51.

#### **BCCLS**:

- **Staff computers upgraded:** BCCLS upgraded three staff computers.
- **BCCLS Wheel of Services:** Board packet on pages 10 and 11 includes the stats of services offered through BCCLS.
- AT&T SMS: In June, AT&T stopped supporting email to text message conversion. The patrons who had opted for text message notifications stopped receiving them. The option to pay for the text messaging service through Innovative was voted for at the last System Council (SC) meeting. It is estimated that Haworth Library will pay around a little over \$400 for year 2025-26 and about \$300 the following year.
- **BCCLS Delivery:** For 2025, the Delivery Committee has been charged with assessing the status of the BCCLS delivery service to maximize efficiency and ensure that it is sustainable to the membership.

It was advised that the size of the crew, adjustment of salaries to reflect the industry standard, an additional part time clerical position, revised budget for maintenance and a capital plan to reflect the current cost of vehicles will impact the 2026 budget.

## Friends of Haworth Municipal Library

- **Haworth Paws and Wings**: The Friends of Haworth Library fundraiser is scheduled for Thursday, October 9<sup>th</sup>. The dogs, cats and butterlies painted by Haworth artists have been placed in various stores and at the library. The event is being promoted by Beth Potter.
- **Donation:** The Friends of the library have donated \$600 to purchase of Vox books.

# 7) MAYOR'S /COUNCIL REPORT

Borough Budget was passed and the Audit is in.

8) OLD BUSINESS: None

#### 9) NEW BUSINESS:

a. Use of Discretionary Funds: A motion to donate \$250 in the memory of former Library Director,

Elizabeth Rosenberg was

Moved by Regina Eftychiou Seconded by Jennifer Eisberg

Motion passed unanimously.

# 10) MOTION TO ADJOURN:

**TIME-** 7:30 pm

Moved by Brenda Kahn Seconded by Regina Eftychiou

Motion passed unanimously.

## 11) NEXT MEETING:

Monday, September 8<sup>th</sup>, 2025 at 7 pm at Haworth Library and via Zoom.