

TENAFLY PUBLIC LIBRARY
MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING
February 9, 2026

The Board of Trustees of the Tenafly Public Library met on February 9, 2026 at 7:00 p.m. at the library for its regular Board meeting.

Board Members Present: President Martin Gilbert, Vice President Kathleen Cook, Secretary/Treasurer Soon Juhng, David DiGregorio, Julie Lev, Yelena Meytes, Nicole Motz and Elizabeth Warms. Councilwoman Jamie Corsair (Zoom).

Staff Present: Library Director Julie Marallo and Administrative Assistant Ann Marie Connolly.

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. Julie Marallo reported that notices of the meeting had been posted and sent to the media.

Minutes

Board members approved the Minutes of the regular Board meeting of January 12, 2026. Moved by: Kathleen Cook. Seconded by: Elizabeth Warms. Unanimously approved.

Treasurer's Report

Martin Gilbert reviewed with the Board the Library's Financial Statements of January 2026. He noted that he had examined and approved of the statements and reported that they were current and accurate. A motion was made to approve the financial reports. Moved by: Yelena Meytes. Seconded by: Nicole Motz. Unanimously approved.

Correspondence

None.

Director's Report

Julie Marallo presented a synopsis of the events that led to the plans for the furniture and shelf replacement project of the library children's room. Julie thanked Children's Librarian Latricia Markle and Library Board members Nicole Motz and Yelena Meytes for the time they devoted and the talents they shared to reach the goal of making the children's room a safer, more accommodating place for children. At Julie's request, Children's Librarian, Latricia Markle, presented a slide show of the completed plans drawn up by Creative Library Concepts, LLC. The plans were enthusiastically approved by the Board.

The following Resolution was approved by the Board of Trustees:

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT: The Board of Trustees of the Free Public Library of the Borough of Tenafly in the County of Bergen, State of New Jersey approves of the Children's Room furniture and shelf replacement project proposed by Creative Library Concepts, with the stipulation that amendments to the submitted design can be made.

Moved by: Martin Gilbert

Seconded by: Soon Juhng

Voting as follows:

Kathleen Cook - Aye

Julie Lev - Aye

David DiGregorio - Aye

Yelena Meytes - Aye

Martin Gilbert - Aye

Nicole Motz - Aye

Soon Juhng - Aye

Elizabeth Warms - Aye

The Bid for cleaning the library has gone out and will close on Wednesday, February 25, 2026. Julie will be making appointments to tour the library with prospective clients.

President's Report

None.

Old Business

None

New Business

Jamie Corsair encouraged Board members to attend the Borough Council meeting on February 24, 2026 at 7:30pm. Plans for a new Municipal Center will be presented.

Report from the Mayor's Alternate

None.

Report from the Superintendent's Alternate

None.

Citizen's Portion of the Meeting

None

Any Other Business

None.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:04 p.m. Moved by: Martin Gilbert. Seconded by Julie Lev. Unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Soon Juhng
Secretary/Treasurer

The next regular meeting of the Library Board of Trustees will be Monday, March 9, 2026 at 7:00 p.m.

Approved: March 9, 2026