SPECIAL MEETING BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
April 7, 2015  
6:30 PM  
MINUTES  

The special meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Mount Vernon Public Library was held on April 7, 2015 at the Mount Vernon Public Library, 28 South First Avenue, Mount Vernon, New York 10550. Brian Johnson who presided called the meeting to order at 6:35 pm.

ROLL CALL

Trustees Present: Oscar Davis, Brian Johnson, Darren Morton and Na’im Tyson.  
Trustee Absent: Linda Bryant.

Also Present: Thomas Keller, and Tamara Stewart, Library Patrons; Gary Newman, Library Staff; Carolyn Karwoski, Library Director; and Jose Alvelo, Interim Treasurer.

BUDGET

Jose Alvelo said the proposed budget was revised and revisions were made to part time staff, aides and substitutes. The line item for professional salaries was increased.

There is not much room in the salary budget for expansion. The fixed increases allow for a 3% salary increase.

It is felt that the public needs a clear explanation of the increased budget. There were questions about where to cut the budget if the increase did not pass and the timeframe to collect the remaining money owed for this year.

A solid budget narrative is needed.

Trustee Davis questioned the other revenue line which includes fines, fees and lost books.

The full-time treasurer allocation is now in the professional fees line. It was questioned which was more effective; a temporary person or full time employee.

Trustee Morton said the public needs to understand the budget and the increases.

**Resolution 00020-15**

The Board moved to adopt resolution 00020-15. The motion carried 4 yes, 0 no.
At a duly called meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Mount Vernon Public Library, upon a motion made by [Name], and seconded by [Name], the following resolution was considered:

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees is authorized by the Education Law to call a special district meeting of the Mount Vernon City School District to ask the voters to vote on a tax levy to support the operating budget of the Library and the election of Trustees, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees finds that it is necessary and desirable to conduct a special district meeting of the voters of the Mount Vernon City School District for the purpose of voting on a tax levy to support the operating budget of the Library and to elect a Trustee to fill a vacancy on the Board.

NOW therefore be it

RESOLVED that, pursuant to Section 260 of Education Law the Board of Trustees calls a special district meeting of the Mount Vernon City School District to be held on ___June 2___, 2015, from the hours of 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., for the purpose of submitting to the voters of said District a proposed tax levy to support the operating budget of the Mount Vernon Public Library, and it is further

RESOLVED that, pursuant to Section 260 of the Education Law, the special district meeting shall be established, noticed, and conducted in the same manner and to the same extent as such a meeting would be conducted by the Board of Education, except that the Board of Trustees shall make all determinations and take all action in respect thereto otherwise required of the Board of Education, and except that the meeting shall not be held in the election districts established by the Board of Education, but shall be held at the Mount Vernon Public Library located at 28 South 1st Avenue, Mount Vernon, New York, and it is further

RESOLVED that, the Board of Trustees authorizes the Executive Director to incur costs necessary to conduct the election, including but not limited to printing, postage, publication fees, inspector fees, technician fees, supplies, and professional services which shall be paid by the Library upon presentation to the Board of Trustees of authenticated vouchers in accordance with its usual and customary payment procedures, and it is further

RESOLVED that, the Library Director, in conjunction with the consultant and counsel shall cause the legal notice required under the Education Law to be published in the two official newspapers of the Mount Vernon City School District, and it is further

RESOLVED that, pursuant to Sections 259 and 260 of the Education Law, the Board of Trustees of the Mount Vernon Public Library shall submit the following question to the voters of the Mount Vernon City School District at the special district meeting to be held on ___June 2___, 2015:

Shall the sum of $4,509,700 be raised by annual levy of a tax upon the taxable real property within the Mount Vernon City School District for the purpose of funding the operating budget of the Mount Vernon Public Library?
and it is further

RESOLVED that Sections 260 of the Education Law, the Board of Trustees of the Mount Vernon Public Library will submit the election of a person to serve as Trustee of the Library for a five year-term beginning on July 1, 2015, elected at large, to voters of the Mount Vernon City School District at the special district meeting to be held on __June 2, 2015__.

Dated: April 7, 2015

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Brian G. Johnson, President

Thomas Keller questioned whether there would be a public hearing. Trustee Morton said there would be one.

ADJOURNMENT:
The Board moved to adjourn the meeting on a motion by Darren Morton, seconded by Oscar Davis.

Respectfully submitted,

Carolyn Karwoski
Secretary