

**GREAT NECK LIBRARY
MINUTES OF THE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
BUDGET WORKSHOP
Tuesday, March 11, 2003
8:00 p.m.**

A Budget Workshop of the Board of Trustees of the Great Neck Library was held on Tuesday, March 11, 2003, in the Multi-Purpose Room of the Great Neck Library, 159 Bayview Avenue, Great Neck, New York 11023. [Agenda attached.]

The following Trustees were present constituting a quorum:

Linda Cohen – Vice President
Bette Weidman – Secretary
John Drukker – Assistant Treasurer
William Morrill – Assistant Treasurer
David Kahn

Absent with prior notice: Joyce Klein – President
Alice Nayer – Treasurer

Also present: Arlene Nevens – Library Director
Laura Weir – Assistant Library Director
Neil Zitofsky – Business Manager

CALL TO ORDER

Vice President Linda Cohen called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m. for the purpose of discussing the first draft of the 2004 Library Budget.

NEW BUSINESS

Soil Borings

Upon motion by David Kahn, seconded by John Drukker, and after discussion, it was,

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of the Great Neck Library authorize the Library Director to enter in an agreement with Soil Mechanics Drilling Corp. to perform drilling test borings at a cost not to exceed \$8,243.75 to be charged to the Main Building and Special Services Fund.

VOTE: Yes – 5 (Cohen, Drukker, Kahn, Morrill, Weidman)
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

INFORMAL DISCUSSION OF BUDGET

Business Manager Neil Zitofsky presented an overview of the first draft of the Great Neck Library's Budget for 2004. There was much discussion on the proposed increase in the Library's contributions to the New York State Retirement Systems Fund and how it would impact on the 2004 Budget. This first draft proposal, incorporating a 333.3% increase in Retirement System contributions, is \$7,359,400.00, which reflects an 8.2% increase.

The consensus was that other categories of the budget, excluding the retirement contributions, should be looked at to see where further reductions could be made. A revised budget will be presented at the next budget workshop on April 1, 2003.

Public Comments: Karen Rubin, Ralene Adler

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Bette Weidman
Secretary