

**Berlin Free Town Library
Board of Trustees
Regular Meeting Agenda
4/7/25**

Mission: Berlin Free Town Library is dedicated to providing library materials, programs and services that support the educational and recreational needs of the citizens of Berlin and the neighboring communities.

Call to Order

Roll Call

Public Comments

Vote on Minutes

- *Motion to approve the meeting minutes from March's regular meeting*

Treasurer's Report

Director's Report

- *Motion to approve the following resolution to exceed the tax cap for the first year of the ch. 414 municipal vote if passed by voters.*

Whereas, the adoption of the 2026 budget for the Berlin Free Town Library may require a tax levy increase that exceeds the tax cap imposed by state law as outlined in General Municipal Law Section 3-c adopted in 2011; and Whereas, General Municipal Law Section 3-c expressly permits the library board to override the tax levy limit by a resolution approved by a vote of sixty percent of qualified board members; now therefore be it Resolved, that the Board of Trustees of the Berlin Free Town Library voted and approved to exceed the tax levy limit for 2026

by at least the sixty percent of the board of trustees as required by state law on April 7, 2025.

- *Motion to retroactively approve the appointment of Kaitlyn Maxon as Library Assistant.*

Committee Reports

- *Finance*
- *House and Grounds*: Update on new library doors. Enrollment in the NYSERDA program and status of warranty for units.
- *Collection Development*
- *Library Programs*: Future community based events
- *Personnel*: Library Director evaluation update
- *Public Relations*: Local newsletter/paper to replace Eastwick Press

Correspondence

Old Business

- Summer Camp Fund update
- Signature page for the Ch. 414 municipal vote. A minimum of 25 signatures is needed to be presented to the Town Clerk.
- Q&A for community members
- Signage for the library on Rt.22 update
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New Business

- Impact of federal cuts to IMLS (Institute of Museum and Library Services) and how this will affect UHLS.

Announcements

Next Meeting will be held on May 5, 2025 at 7 p.m.

Adjournment

