



JJML Board of Trustees Meeting Annual Budget Hearing & Candidate Forum Wednesday, September 21, 2022

This meeting was recorded using zoom and the Meeting Owl 3 Camera.

Call to Order: President Gloria Primm Brown called the meeting to order at 5:09 pm.

Attending were Vice President Ann Sutphen, Treasurer Bill McCoy, Secretary Diane Deger, Trustees Michael Butler, Michael Garabedian, Dan Glass (5:54 pm), Bob Weinstein and Executive Director Kelly Harris.

Members of the public: Robyn Obler, Elliott Sroka, Alison Bond, Wonda Miller, Ailyn Carrasco

Budget Presentation:

- Executive Director Harris presented the 2023 proposed budget.
- The budget vote will take place at the JJML on September 29, 2022, between the hours of 10:00 am and 8:00 pm.
- The library seeks a total levy of \$3,093,732. She stated that a resident with a home value of \$1,000,000 will see an increase of \$ 1.45/ month. She then listed the areas of service to the community that the budget will provide. In addition, she itemized the proposed budget disbursements and mentioned that the library has increased its full-time staff and plans to add a full-time technology position. Harris explained that the budget increase is below the tax cap.

Candidate Forum:

- Executive Director Harris introduced the three candidates who are seeking to fill three at-large seats, each with a three-year term commencing January 1,2023, and expiring December 31, 2025.
- The candidates are Michael Garabedian (seeking re-election), Robin Obler and Elliott Sroka. Each candidate introduced themselves and then were asked questions by Harris. The audience also questioned the candidates.

Adjournment: Budget Hearing and Trustee Forum adjourned at 6:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Deger, Secretary