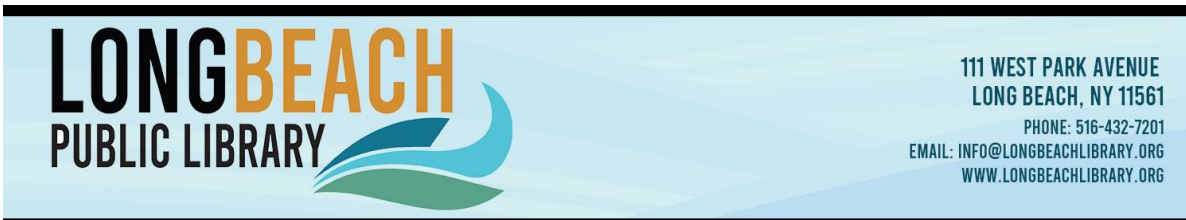


Meeting Minutes - Monday March 16, 2026 at 7pm

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Anita LaSpina, Vice President	Jakea Williamson, Asst. Director
Gemma Tansey, Secretary	Absent with notice
Anja Schmidt-Muskin, Trustee	Sam Pinto, Trustee

- I. Call to Order by **President Guarini at 7:00p.m.**
- II. Roll Call **was taken by President Guarini.**
- III. Pledge of Allegiance **was recited by all.**
- IV. Executive Session **voted unanimously to enter Executive Session at 7:01 pm, motioned by Trustee LaSpina and seconded by Trustee Tansey. Exited Executive session at 7:40 pm. No Votes were taken.**
 1. Individual patron request
 2. Contract negotiations
- V. Public Comment on Agenda Items (limited to 2 minutes per person)
- VI. Approval of Minutes from 2/23/2026 **Approved. Moved for approval by Trustee LaSpina, seconded by Trustee Tansey.**
- VII. Approval of Bills and Schedules
 1. Board Warrant 1402 **Approved. Moved for approval by President Guarini, seconded by Trustee LaSpina.**
 2. Payroll Warrants 1401 **Approved. Moved for approval by Trustee Anja Schmidt-Muskin, seconded by President Guarini.**
- VIII. Monthly Financial Report
 1. February 2026 report will be included in April packet
- IX. Donor Recognition
- X. Monthly Reports (February 2026)
 1. Director's Report
 2. Monthly Stats
 3. FY 2026 Projects
 4. Assistant Director/Adult Services
 5. Programming & Marketing
 6. Patron Services
 7. Youth Services
- XI. Old Business
 1. FY 2027 Budget
 - FY 2027 budget memo
 - Updated FY 2027-FY 2032 budget projections
 - RESOLUTION APPROVING 2026-2027 BUDGET IN EXCESS OF STATE TAX CAP**Unanimously Approved. Moved for approval by Trustee LaSpina, seconded by Trustee Anja Schmidt-Muskin.**
 - Updated FY 2027 draft budget



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Unanimously Approved and Adopted for public Vote. Moved for approval by Trustee Anja Schmidt-Muskin, seconded by Trustee LaSpina.

- XII. New Business
 - 1. Addressing AI in our Collection Development policies
 - 2. Room reservation purposes
- XIII. Public Comment (limited to 3 minutes per person)
- XIV. CSEA
- XV. Personnel **Approved. Moved for approval by Trustee Anja Schmidt-Muskin, seconded by Trustee Tansey.**
 - 1. Don Smalls, FT Maintenance Worker to PT Maintenance Worker (change in status)
 - 2. Skyla Simshauser, PT Circulation Clerk (new hire)
- XVI. Date and Time of Next Meeting **Approved. Moved for approval by Trustee Tansey, seconded by Trustee Anja Schmidt-Muskin.**
 - 1. Monday April 20th at 7pm
- XVII. Adjournment **at 8:27 pm- Motioned by President Guarini, seconded by Trustee Anja Schmidt-Muskin. and unanimously approved.**

REGULAR MEETING

MARCH 16, 2026

RESOLUTION:

RESOLUTION APPROVING 2026-2027 BUDGET IN EXCESS OF STATE TAX CAP

WHEREAS, the adoption of this 2026 – 2027 budget for the Long Beach Public Library (the “Library”) requires a tax levy increase that exceeds the tax cap imposed by State law as outlined in General Municipal Law (“GML”) §3-c, adopted in 2011; and

WHEREAS, GML §3-c expressly permits the Library Board of Trustees to override the tax levy limit by a resolution approved by a vote of sixty percent of qualified Board Trustees;

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of the Long Beach Public Library does hereby vote to, and approve to, exceed the tax levy limit for the 2026 – 2027 fiscal year by at least sixty percent of the Board of Trustees, as required by State law.

DISPOSITION OF THE BOARD

MOVED: ___Trustee LaSpina_____

SECONDED: ___Trustee Schmidt-Muskin_____

THOSE IN FAVOR 4 **THOSE OPPOSED** _____ **THOSE ABSTAINING** _____

COMMENTS: ___Trustee Pinto was absent with notice _____