

Free Public Library of Audubon

Board of Trustees Meeting, November 24, 2025

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER 7:02pm

OPENING STATEMENT:

In accordance with the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Law, the Free Public Library of Audubon Board of Trustees properly transmitted notice of this this meeting, scheduled at 7:00 pm, in the Retrospect and Courier Post newspapers, filed with the Borough Clerk, and posted notice on the bulletin board at the main entrance to the Library and on the Library's website.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Present

Maria Lario Schuman
Jeff Clarke
Rosanne Endt
Danielle Ingves
Nikki Bicking
Mayor Rob Jakubowski
Patricia Whalen
Olga Grudinina, Bookkeeper
Akiema Buchanan, Library Director

Absent

Mark Brandon
Amanda Negro

Motion to Approve the Meeting Minutes of October 27, 2025

Motion by: Danielle Ingves Second by: Jeff Clarke Abstains: Mayor Jakubowski and
Pat Whalen All in Favor

Motion to Approve the Treasurer's Report

Motion by: Ingves Second by: Clarke All in Favor

Resolution 2025-27 Authorizing the payment of bills for the month of November 2025

Motion by: Ingves Second by: Nikki Bicking Roll Call Vote

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Ingves had nothing to report. Mayor Jakubowski reported that there is a capital improvement grant that could benefit the library and the community. He said to think of a way that the library could utilize the grant. Clarke mentioned that the library could possibly get a semi-permanent structure that could hold items which would allow the library to build up the library of things.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT – See Attached

POLICY COMMITTEE – Nothing to report

STRATEGIC AND CAPITAL PLAN COMMITTEE – Nothing to report

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PUBLIC COMMENT

Sanaa Talawasa, Audubon NJ – Asked about the food pantry box and if a solution to it would be a larger box so that people could give more food or larger portions of goods. The mayor responded that there is a number inside the box that people can call if they have larger donations. Director Buchanan mentioned that people sometimes leave items on top or next to the pantry. Talawasa suggested a Halloween costume exchange because it would help reuse costumes and help families with children. She also mentioned the library putting out a survey regarding programs that patrons could fill out. This would help the library have programs that patrons are interested in.

ADJOURNMENT: 7:33pm

Motion by: Ingves

Second by: Lario - Schuman

All in Favor