A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of Morley Library was called to order at 4:30 P.M. on June 20, 2018 by Mr. Keener. The following members were present:

Ms. Coffee  Mr. Di Iorio  Mr. Keener  Ms. Lipps
Mr. Malchesky  Ms. Nasca  Dir. Martinez  Ms. Norman

The minutes of the May 16, 2018 regular Board Meeting were reviewed. Ms. Nasca moved that the minutes be approved as submitted, Mr. Malchesky seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Norman reviewed the May Treasurer’s Report. Ms. Coffee moved that the report be accepted, Ms. Nasca seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Norman asked that the Board make the following line item reallocations within the 2018 Appropriation: in the General Fund, $3,000 to #5510 Furniture & Equipment from #4100 Books & Pamphlets; and in the Special Projects Fund, $600 to #3200 Communications and $100 to #3700 Professional Services from #3800 Library Material Control Services. Mr. Malchesky so moved, Mr. Di Iorio seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Norman distributed a discussion sheet of points to consider in planning for the 2019 General and Debt Fund Appropriations. General Fund revenues are expected to be flat at $2.5MM, while expenditures may reach $3.0MM; the shortfall can be covered by the current General Fund surplus (estimated to be $1.3MM at year end 2018). She also recommended setting the Debt Service 2019 Appropriation at $915K to cover principal, interest, and service charges on the bond issue. Ms. Coffee moved approval of Resolution 2018-08 setting the 2019 General Fund Appropriation at $3.0MM and the 2019 Debt Service Fund Appropriation at $915K. Mr. Malchesky seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Director Martinez distributed copies of the Morley Library 2017 Annual Report to Board members.

Mr. Keener introduced to the following resolution and moved its passage:

Resolution 2018-09
Resolution Requesting the Board of County Commissioners, Lake County, Ohio to Submit to the Electors of the Library District of the Morley Library the Question of a renewal of an Existing Tax for Current Expenses of the Morley Library

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees (the “Board”) of the Morley Library, Lake County, Ohio (the “Library”) is a board of library trustees appointed pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 3375.22, and is a board of library trustees described in Ohio Revised Code Section 3375.32; and

WHEREAS, the Library is currently levying a five-year one (1.0) mill operating levy approved by the voters of the Morley Library on November 4, 2014, and first placed on the tax list and duplicate in 2014 for collection in years 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, and 2019; and

WHEREAS, the Board desires the Board of County Commissioners, Lake County, Ohio to renew a tax levied under Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.23, for current expenses; and

WHEREAS, the Lake County Auditor has certified that the above-referenced tax will generate $1,170,833 during the first year of collection, based on the current assessed valuation of the library district of the Morley Library of $1,186,253,040.
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of the Morley Library, Lake County, Ohio, two-thirds of all the members thereof concurring, that:

Section 1. It is hereby declared that the amount of taxes which may be raised within the ten-mill limitation by levies on the current tax duplicate will be insufficient to provide an adequate amount for the necessary requirements of the Library and that it is necessary to levy a renewal tax in excess of such limitation for current expenses of the Library. Accordingly, the Board of County Commissioners, Lake County, Ohio, the taxing authority to whose jurisdiction the Library Board is subject, is hereby requested to submit to the electors of the library district of the Morley Library, as established under R.C. Chapter 3375, at the general election to be held on November 6, 2018, the question of a renewal of an existing tax for current expenses of the Library, which tax shall be levied on the territory of the library district of the Morley Library located in Lake County.

Section 2. This Board hereby requests the Board of County Commissioners, Lake County, Ohio, adopt a resolution under Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.23, and other applicable provisions of law, to submit to the electors of the library district of the Morley Library at an election to be held therein on November 6, 2018, the question of such renewal of an existing tax for current expenses of the Library.

Section 3. Such tax levy shall be for a continuing period of time and at a rate not exceeding one (1.0) mills for each one dollar of valuation, which amounts to ten cents ($0.10) for each one hundred dollars of valuation.

Section 4. Such tax levy shall not be placed on the current year tax list and duplicate, but shall be placed upon the tax list and duplicate commencing in 2019, first due in calendar year 2020, if a majority of the electors voting thereon vote in favor thereof.

Section 5. The Board finds, determines and declares that the levy of the tax, if approved by the electors, is necessary to the proper furnishing and rendering of free public library services in the library district of the Morley Library for the residents of such library district.

Section 6. The Fiscal Officer of the Board, acting on behalf of the Board, is hereby directed to certify a copy of this resolution to the Fiscal Officer of the Lake County Board of County Commissioners.

Section 7. It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Board concerning and relating to the adoption of this resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Board, and that all deliberations of this Board and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements including Section 121.11, Ohio Revised Code.

Mr. Malchesky seconded and the Resolution carried unanimously.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned by Mr. Keener at 5:10 P.M.

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Kenneth Keener, President                                                  Catherine Nasca, Secretary