Hollwedel Memorial Library

ONLINE INFORMATION MEETING

Presented by the Board of Trustees

APRIL 2021

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BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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Hollwedel Memorial Library

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Hollwedel Memorial Library

- ► Serves residents of Town of Pavilion and surrounding communities
- ▶ Chartered by New York State in 1982
- ► Is governed by Bylaws under direction of the Board of Trustees
- ▶ Open 21 hours each week
- ► Currently a Municipal Library
- ▶ Member of Nioga Library System

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MAJOR SOURCES OF INCOME:

▶ Town of Pavilion

▶ To a much smaller extent:

- o Genesee County (decreasing amounts over past years)
- New York State
- o Towns of Bethany and Covington
- o Library Fund Drives & Memorials
- o Business and Individual Donations
- Fines and Fees

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LIBRARY SERVICES

- Books, DVDs, Video
 Games, Audio Books,
 Periodicals, Newspapers
- Copying & Faxing
- Job Search Assistance
- Interlibrary Loan
- Training Classes for Technology

- Computer Workstations
- Internet Access
- Wi-Fi 24/7
- Electronic Services Overdrive, Hoopla, etc.
- Meeting Rooms
- Workspace Available / Tutoring

LIBRARY PROGRAMS

- Storytime
- Book Club
- Knitter's Nook
- Community Yoga
 Programs for various ages

- Summer Reading
- Dungeons & Dragons Club
- Special One-time Adult, Family & Youth Sessions throughout the year

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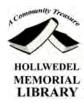


CURRENT BUDGET

\$99,800

The library's operating budget has remained the same for the past several years. Recent budgets have had to cover the cost of increased expenses including \$14,000 for library rechartering. In addition, mandatory NYS minimum wage requirements began in 2017.

NOTE: The 2021 budget includes expenses for the re-charter of the library.



EXPENSES:

- ► Personnel Costs One Part-time Salaried Librarian, Two Part-time Clerks
 - o Part-time clerks have no benefits
- ▶ Books, Periodicals, Video Games, Software, DVDs, Books on Tape (Materials)
- ▶ Programs
- ► Electronic Services through Nioga ► Office & Custodial Supplies

- ► Automated Library Management System Fee through Nioga
- **▶** Utilities
- ► Insurance
- ▶ Professional Services
- ▶ Building & Grounds
- ▶ Phone

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MATERIALS SPENDING COMPARISON

The Hollwedel Memorial Library has the lowest expenditures for materials (books, DVDs, periodicals, etc.) than any other library in the *Nioga System.

Library	Total Expenditures
Barker	\$13,691
Byron-Bergen	\$21,994
Corfu	\$11,353
Newfane	\$21,529
Oakfield	\$24,457
Pavilion Pavilion	\$ 9,95 <mark>6</mark>

^{*}Comparison data from 2019 Nioga Library System report

PROGRAMS SPENDING COMPARISON

Total Expenditures
\$6,000
\$2,500
\$1,900
\$6,000
\$1,000
\$ 500

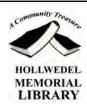
^{*}Comparison data as budgeted and reported by Library Directors.

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SITUATION

The library continues to experience decreasing income and increasing expenses, while continuing to provide the community with quality programs, services and library materials.



DECISION

After consideration over the past few years, the Board of Trustees passed a resolution to transition from a Municipal Library to a "School District Public Library" that would be funded solely by a voter approved budget.

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WHAT IS A SCHOOL DISTRICT PUBLIC LIBRARY?

New York State Education Law- Section 255, 259 (1)(a), 260

- School District collects tax money for library and turns it over to library Board.
- School District would have <u>no</u> <u>involvement in</u> operations of the library.

WHAT IS A SCHOOL DISTRICT PUBLIC LIBRARY?

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- Libraries can secure funding through a district-wide public vote on a budget.
- If approved, library would revise Charter to be a school district public library.
- Trustees would be <u>elected</u>.

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MORE ABOUT A SCHOOL DISTRICT PUBLIC LIBRARY

- Coverage area expands geographical service area, would now serve entire school district.
- Elected Board of Trustees which provides representation for taxpayers.
- Have secure and reliable funding for library building, utilities, materials, personnel, programs and Nioga services.



BOARD OF TRUSTEES

- ▶ Presented a formal written funding proposition to the Pavilion Board of Education for the voters to vote upon.
- ▶ Developed plan to share vote information with school district residents.
- ➤ Continue to share information on our website, in the local news, at individual visits at library on Sat., April 24 from 10 AM 12 PM and Mon., April 26 from 6 PM 8 PM.

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HOLLWEDEL MEMORIAL LIBRARY PROPOSED BUDGET FOR PUBLIC VOTE

\$130,000

NOTE: Any future increase to this amount would have to be approved by the taxpayers in another separate vote and would be subject to the tax cap law.



PROPOSED BUDGET TO COVER:

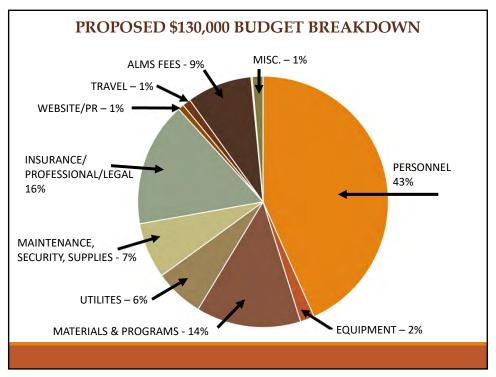
- Personnel Library Director, 2 Part-time Clerks at Minimum Wage
- <u>Ten Additional Hours of Operation from 21 to 31</u> weekly
- <u>Ability to purchase materials</u> books, periodicals, DVDs, music CDs, computer software, etc. which we have not been able to afford.
- Ability to offer expanded programming
- Library upkeep, utilities, maintenance

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PROPOSED BUDGET TO COVER: continued

- Additional patrons in an expanded service area. The library's chartered service area would now include patrons in York, Middlebury, Covington and Bethany (currently considered an unserved area by the NYS Dept. of Library Development).
- Ability to keep up with <u>new technological programs and equipment</u> computers and software.



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PROPOSED LIBRARY BUDGET

The tax levy - approximately \$.44 per thousand of assessed property valuation.

Approved budget would cost the average taxpayer with \$100,000 assessed value property approximately \$44 annually.

COMPARISON TO SOME OTHER NIOGA LIBRARY BUDGETS

LIBRARY	BUDGET
*PAVILION (HML)	\$130,000
BYRON-BERGEN	\$126,056
CORFU	\$121,662
HAXTON (Oakfield)	\$172,136
NEWFANE	\$154,019
RANSOMVILLE	\$128,236
SANBORN-PEKIN	\$138,382
YATES	\$124,647

*Pavilion (HML) Budget is what is proposed in 2021. Sample budgets are for other libraries from most recent Nioga report.

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COMMUNITY-BASED FUNDING OF LIBRARY BUDGET WOULD:

- ▶ The library would no longer have to rely on discretionary funding
- ▶ Remain a separate line item on Pavilion Central School District tax bill for the total library budget amount
- ▶ Allow for additional hours of operation (from 21 to 31 per week)
- Allow for an increase in children and adult programming
- ▶ Allow for scheduled library maintenance
- ▶ Allow for a greater selection of library materials books, DVDs, periodicals, music CDs, computer upgrades, computer software, etc.
- ► Taxpayer representation on Board of Trustees Board members are elected







DIGITAL SERVICES THROGH NIOGA LIBRARY **SYSTEM**

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LIBRARY ADDITION 2015-2016



CHILDREN'S READING AREA



VOTE

Public Vote on the Hollwedel Memorial Library Budget will be held at the School District's Budget Vote at the Pavilion High School

> Tuesday, May 18, 2021 12 PM – 9 PM

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WHO IS A QUALIFIED VOTER?

- ▶ Citizen of the United States of America
- ▶ At least 18 years of age
- ➤ Resident in the Pavilion Central School
 District for at least 30 days prior to the date of
 the vote



Questions?

Email us at hollwedellibrary@gmail.com

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Thank you for watching