

**CITY OF NORWALK
PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2021, 7:00 PM**

AGENDA – ZOOM

1. Call to Order

2. Additions to Agenda:

Moment of Silence in memory of:

Tabor Hamilton, NPL Board Member
Sherelle Harris' cousin, Stephany
Collin Pratt's sister, Kesha Pratt

3. Public Comments

4. Approval of Minutes of January 14, 2021

5. Presidents Report -- Alex Knopp

- A. Status of NPL reopening plan
- B. Status of NPL ED Search
- C. Update on Status of Library Capital Budget request

Alex Knopp's comments on CFO recommendation:

“In recognition of the City's financial situation, the Library exercised great self-restraint to submit only two minimal program-related requests totaling \$113,000 compared to all the other city departmental requests totaling \$54,500,000! I'm disappointed that these two minor requests were not recommended because they both are merely continuations of on-going projects that were funded in prior years, including the final year of digitization of The Norwalk Hour and the technology refresh of the Main Branch auditorium to enable real-time streaming of programs. My concern is that failure to fund these projects will impair the library's ability to provide the kind of top-notch on-line and digital services that our patrons have a right to expect during this era of social distancing. We'll certainly be asking the Planning Commission, the Mayor and the Common Council not to neglect these very modest requests of the library.”

6. Administration Report— Sherelle Harris

- A. Capital Budget Update
- B. Reopening Considerations
- C. Vita Tax Service Update
- D. Norwalk Public Library - Norwalk Public Schools Collaboration
- E. Employee Health Report
- F. Library One-Day Closing Update

7. Old Business

8. New Business

9. Adjournment of Directors meeting