

RED JACKET COMMUNITY LIBRARY

2022-23 Budget Vote and Trustee Election

The Red Jacket Community Library budget vote and trustee election will be held **Monday, May 16, 2022** from **4:00 pm to 10:00 pm at the library**, 7 Lehigh Avenue, Shortsville NY.

Applications for absentee ballots are available at the library and on the website. See the application forms for due dates. Absentee ballots must be received by 5:00 pm on May 16.

PROPOSED LIBRARY BUDGET

Income		Expenditures	
Manchester-Shortsville CSD tax levy	\$ 248,185	Personnel	\$ 172,819
Grants, gifts and memorials	4,274	Operations and supplies	18,490
Fines, interest and other	75	Library materials and programs	12,535
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 252,534	Consulting and legal	2,500
		Automation contracts	8,485
		Insurance and building expense	27,705
		Moving expenses	10,000
		TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 252,534

Notes and details

The proposed 2022-23 budget is an increase of \$9,455 (3.89%) over the 2021-22 budget. The tax levy increase is \$10,295 (4.33%) over the 2021-22 budget. The proposed budget allows the public library to move out of its current shared facility in the school building, and improve public access to its services.

New budget items include an annual expense of \$12,000 to \$18,000 for rent (depending on location), and a one-time expense of \$10,000 for moving costs. These items are offset in part by a temporary reduction in print material purchases, the elimination of a \$4,340 automation contract (currently required for access to school-owned materials and no longer needed after moving), and a reduction in legal fees of \$10,000. Personnel expenses remain steady (reduced 0.6%).

What will you pay?

The current Library Tax Rate is 0.73 (0.77 in the Town of Farmington) per \$1000 of assessed value. Library tax rates for the 2022-23 assessment year are not yet available. Here is an estimate of what you would pay in total library taxes for the proposed 2022-23 Library Budget at a tax rate of 0.73 - 0.77:

If your property is assessed at:	\$ 50,000	\$ 100,000	\$ 150,000	\$200,000
then your <i>current</i> library tax is:	\$37 - \$39	\$73 - \$77	\$110 - \$116	\$146 - \$154
and we <i>estimate</i> your <i>new</i> library tax will be:	\$39 - \$41	\$76 - \$81	\$115 - \$122	\$152 - \$162

What do you get for your money?

Your public library offers you unlimited audiobooks and eBooks 24/7. Come in for print books and DVDs, use the public computers. Take a class. Send your children to summer programs. If you purchased items or services like these, you would pay approximately:

Audio books: One per month (\$14.95/month at audible.com)	\$180 per year
One new hardcover book per month (\$15 to-\$25 on amazon.com)	\$180 to \$300 per year
One eBook per month (about \$6 to \$15 each)	\$120 per year
Two movie rentals per month (about \$4 each)	\$96 per year
Six craft lessons or other programs per year (\$20 each)	\$120 per year

ELECTION OF TRUSTEES

There are two candidates running for two vacancies on the Board of Trustees. Trustees serve a five-year term.

Kerry Adams is a lifelong resident of the Red Jacket School District. After graduating from Cornell University, she and her husband Hal returned to her home farm in Shortsville, where they established a dairy farm. They have owned and managed Black Brook Farm for more than four decades and are easing into retirement. They raised two daughters in the district and have four grandchildren.

Kerry has previous experience as a Red Jacket Community Library Trustee from 2004 to 2007. She served on the MSCSD Board of Education for ten years and was president for three. She has been president of the Red Jacket PTSA, has served on the Board of Directors for Northeast Dairy Producers Association and the Ontario County Cornell Cooperative Extension, and is currently vice Chair of the Clifton Springs Hospital Board of Trustees.

Amanda Bement is a lifelong resident of the Red Jacket School District. She has an associate's degree from FLCC, a bachelor's degree in psychology from St. John Fisher, and a master's degree in public administration from SUNY Brockport. She and her partner Rian are raising their four children in the district.

Amanda has more than 20 years of experience supporting people with developmental disabilities. She is currently Director of Day Services for the Jewish Home in Brighton, helping people with many different abilities to remain independent in their current living situation. She serves on the Board of Directors for Leading Age NY- ADHC and previously served on the board of Everybody Rides, an equine therapy program for people with developmental disabilities.

QUESTIONS?

Email rjcltrustees@owwl.org, or join us for one of our Budget Information Sessions at the library. A full detailed copy of the budget is available for review at the library during our regular hours.

Budget Information Sessions

Monday, May 9 at 7:00 pm

Tuesday, May 10 at 7:00 pm