

To: The Town Board of Warsaw

From: The Board of Trustees, Warsaw Public Library

Re: Request for Reappointment of Trustees Following Charter Amendment

Dear Members of the Town Board,

The Warsaw Public Library Board of Trustees would like to express our sincere appreciation for your ongoing support of the library and its mission to serve our community.

As you are aware, in July 2025, the library's charter was amended by the Board of Trustees and the New York State Board of Regents to specify that trustees shall be appointed by the Board of the Town of Warsaw. This change replaces the previous practice of public elections and requires that all current trustees be formally reappointed in order to be in full compliance with the library's updated charter and bylaws.

To ensure continuity of governance and adherence to the library's bylaws, the Board of Trustees has passed a resolution to reset trustee terms as follows:

- [John Rutledge] Term expires December 31, 2025
- [Elizabeth Fox] Term expires December 31, 2026
- [Jason Linderman] Term expires December 31, 2026
- [Susan Schell] Term expires December 31, 2027
- [Shani Jones] Term expires December 31, 2027

All trustees will serve terms beginning January 1 and ending December 31, and each trustee will take a new Oath of Office upon reappointment.

We respectfully request that the Town Board reappoint the above-named trustees in accordance with the amended charter. Additionally, we look forward to working collaboratively with the Town Board to establish a memorandum of understanding to guide future appointments of trustees, ensuring a smooth and compliant process.

Thank you again for your continued support of the Warsaw Public Library. We are grateful for your partnership in serving the community.

Sincerely,

Shani Jones], President, Board of Trustees

[Susan Schell], Secretary, Board of Trustees

Warsaw Public Library Board of Trustees Resolution 10/14/2025

RESOLUTION TO RESET TERMS OF TRUSTEES FOLLOWING CHARTER AMENDMENT

WHEREAS, the charter of the Warsaw Public Library was amended in July 2025 by the Board of Trustees and the New York State Board of Regents to specify that trustees shall be appointed by the Board of the Town of Warsaw, thereby changing the previous practice of public elections; and

WHEREAS, the bylaws of the Warsaw Public Library provide that members of the Board of Trustees shall serve three-year terms, with a maximum of two consecutive terms, and empower the Board of Trustees to fill unexpected vacancies pursuant to State Education Law;

WHEREAS, in order to comply with the amended charter and to provide staggered terms for continuity of governance, the Board of Trustees desires to reset the current trustee terms; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees recognizes and respects the service of trustees previously elected under the former charter, and this reappointment is intended solely to align current terms with the amended charter and ensure compliance with State Education Law.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the current trustees of the Warsaw Public Library shall have their terms reset as follows:

Trustee Name	Term Expiration
[John Rutledge]	December 31, 2025
[Elizabeth Fox]	December 31, 2026
[Jason Linderman]	December 31, 2026
[Susan Schell]	December 31, 2027
[Shani Jones]	December 31, 2027

FURTHER RESOLVED, that all trustees shall be reappointed by the Town of Warsaw Board, shall take new Oaths of Office, and shall serve terms beginning January 1 and ending December 31 in accordance with the library's bylaws and amended charter.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the officers of the Board of Trustees are authorized and directed to take all actions necessary to effectuate this resolution.

Adopted this <u>14</u> day of <u>October</u>, 2025.

Shani Jones], President, Board of Trustees

[Susan Schell], Secretary, Board of Trustees