

Aurora Free Library -- Preservation Committee Report -- March 16, 2023

At the March 13, 2023 meeting of the Preservation Committee of the Aurora Free Library, it was agreed by those present to recommend that the Board of Trustees approve the attached two letters of contractual obligation to retain (1) Hale Roofing at a cost of \$55,500 and (2) High Standard Construction at a cost of \$12,544 for repairs to the Library roof tiles and front fascia boards, plus ancillary work as outlined in the contract proposals. In support of this work, the grant award to the Library from the New York State Aid for Library Construction Program (Project number 0386-22-9243) is \$33,610. The remainder of the financial obligation is to be paid by the Aurora Free Library. The Preservation Committee suggests that our payment components be taken from the 2023 budget allocation for Library preservation, supplemented by proceeds from net investment gains of Aurora Free Library funds held by the Central New York Community Investment Agency and by supplemental funds from the Cayuga Lake National Bank account.

Pending approval by the Board of Trustees, the contracts may be completed on our part by a signatory designated by the Board, but only after completion of: (1) a review of the contractor insurance statements and (2) NYSED approval (both of which should be routine).

The Preservation Committee also wishes to state to the Board that there is a need to boost fundraising efforts for all upcoming capital improvement preservation projects, including the roof project.

Present at the Preservation Committee Meeting -- March 13, 2023:

David Eckhardt, Chair

Steve Moolin

Ellen Wikstrom

Brian Brown

Jodi Gunderson

Susan Deacon, Ex-Officio