

**Minutes of the Port Jervis Free Library Board of Trustees
May 6, 2026 – Budget Workshop
5:00 PM**

Present: Dolores Carnosa, Ed Falcone, Carl Hendrick, Valerie Maginsky

I Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance - The meeting was called to order at 5:00 PM.

II Public Comment – agenda -- none

III New Business

- Ed presented the proposed 2026-2027 budget.
- The proposed budget does not anticipate any increase in the tax levy from the previous year. The levy would be \$1,232,269.
- Ed went through each line item of income and expense and explained the rationale for any changes from the prior year's budget.
- The total proposed budgeted income is \$1,321,019 and proposed budgeted expense are \$1,507,032. Also included in the budget is a drawdown of \$186,013 from the Fund Balance, if needed.

IV Public Comment

- Two members of the public questioned what the Fund Balance represents and why the line item needed to be included in the budget.

V Next Meeting

- The next regular meeting is scheduled for May 12, 2026 at 6 PM.
- A budget hearing is scheduled for May 21, 2026 at 6 PM.

VI Adjournment

***Dolores made a motion, seconded by Valerie, to adjourn the meeting at 5:20 PM.
Unanimously passed.***

Respectfully Submitted,
Susan Wade, Board Clerk