

## 2021-2022 Trustees

Ken Hotopp - President  
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## Staff

Kimberly Zimmer—Director  
Cob-director@mvls.info  
Don LaPlant – Adult Services Librarian  
Courtney Little – Library Assistant  
Amy Mele – Library Clerk  
Jackie Barbato – Library Clerk  
Catherine Sharkey-Lockhart – Library Clerk  
Beth Eckel – Library Page  
Annabella Mele – Library Page

## HOURS

Tuesday & Thursday 10:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M.  
Wednesday & Friday 10:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.  
Saturday 10:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M.  
Closed on Sunday and Monday

## The Future

The Long Range Plan of Service outlines several objectives for the coming years:

The Board is working towards improving compensation for starting employees to be at least \$15/hour.

Staff have secured grants to supplement programs for poetry month, summer reading and throughout the year. Other grants will support the acquisition of equipment and resources.

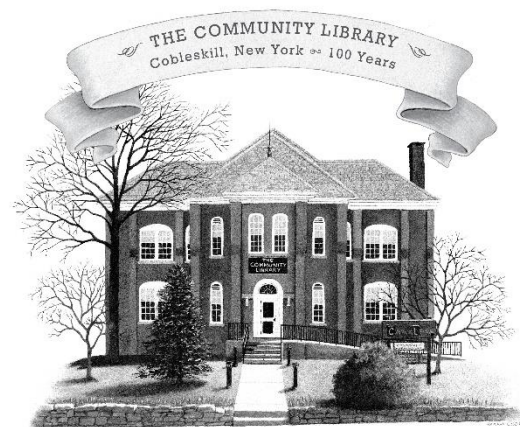
In collaboration with Mohawk Valley Library System we hope to have a new web site.

By the end of the year renovation of the Annex will be well underway.

# THE COMMUNITY LIBRARY

Serving our communities for 100 years!  
COBLESKILL, NEW YORK

## PROPOSED 2023 Operating Budget & 2022 Trustee Election



Vote Date: May 17, 2022

9:00 am – 9:00 pm

Cobleskill-Richmondville High School

If you have not visited the Library recently, stop in  
and make sure to get a Library Card!

May 2022

## 2023 Proposed Budget and Tax Levy Request

The Community Library operates on a very modest budget. The proposed budget for 2023 is for \$329,769, over 15% of which is covered by state aid, grants, donations, and the fundraising activities of The Friends of the Library. The remainder is funded by taxes approved annually by voters in the Cobleskill-Richmondville School District.

### PERSONNEL

Salaries	\$ 162,939
Benefits/Taxes	\$ 40,000
<b>Total Personnel</b>	<b>\$ 209,939</b>

### COLLECTION

Books	\$ 20,000
Serials	\$ 1,200
Electronic	\$ 6,600
Digital (DVD, CD, Etc.)	\$ 7,000
<b>Total Collection</b>	<b>\$ 34,800</b>

### BUILDING & EQUIPMENT

Fuel	\$ 5,500
Electric	\$ 11,000
Water	\$ 400
<b>Utility Sub-Total</b>	<b>\$ 16,900</b>
Building Maintenance	\$ 100
Service Contracts	\$ 20,500
Insurance	\$ 8,350
Equipment Repair	\$ 17,240
<b>Total Building &amp; Equipment</b>	<b>\$ 63,090</b>

### MISCELLANEOUS

Office Costs	\$ 21,440
Programming	\$ 7,500
<b>Total Miscellaneous</b>	<b>\$ 28,940</b>

<b>TOTAL BUDGET</b>	<b>\$ 329,769</b>
Taxpayer Request	\$ 286,000
Other Sources(State Aid, Grants, Reserves, Private Donations)	\$ 43,769

### The Community Library Board of Trustees Election

Three seats on the Board of Trustees are open for election this year.

The candidates:

Five-year term incumbent Janet Sand or Peter Lindemann

Five-year term Rebecca Leggieri

Four-year term Leo McAllister

### Meet the Candidates

Candidate bios are available at [communitylibrary.mvls.info](http://communitylibrary.mvls.info).

## 2021 HIGHLIGHTS

During 2021 Trustees collaborated with Mohawk Valley Library System Staff to finalize the development of the next five-year Long Range Plan of Service. <https://bit.ly/CommunityLRP>

Late in the year the Librarian I position for adult services was created to develop programs and curate the collection. 14 programs were held and collection relocation plans were identified.

The Library began work with The Town of Cobleskill and Lamont Engineering to secure funds to support the renovation of the Annex.

## 2021 BY THE NUMBERS

Our collection includes over 41,224 items including print, audio, eBooks, magazines, newspapers, movies and music.

The building was physically closed for one month due to the pandemic however during the year we had over 9,400 visitors. Over 28,200 items were borrowed or otherwise accessed. Patrons also borrowed 4,460 books and materials through Inter-Library Loan and we sent 4,416 items to patrons at other libraries.

During the past year, the Library provided access to computers and online resources for over 9,300 sessions. 797 people attended the Library's 71 programs for children, teens and adults. The Library's 28 summer reading programs involved 245 children and teens.

Over 12 different community organizations and individuals held 188 meetings at the Library.

## YOUR LIBRARY

The Community Library is a member of the Mohawk Valley Library System (MVLS). Along with the Southern Adirondack Library System, MVLS is part of a large network providing library resources to every person in the Cobleskill-Richmondville Central School District. Inter-Library Loan is available to all borrowers and can be done from home or at the Library. Books, movies, music and more can be ordered from any of the 57 libraries in the 8 counties served.

During Library hours patrons may use the public internet-connected computers, stand-alone educational computers, fax machine and copier. Chromebooks are available to borrow. The Wi-Fi services is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week on Library property.

With your Library card you have access to downloadable books, audiobooks and over 3,000 magazines through the Libby app. Libby is connected with Cobleskill-Richmondville School District SORA cards.

Ancestry.com can be found on the public computers in the Library.