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Ocean County Library Commission Reorganizes for 2024; Timothy McDonald to Chair, Virginia Haines is County Liaison

TOMS RIVER – The Ocean County Library Commission held its reorganization meeting on January 16 at the headquarters of the Library system in the Franklin H. Berry, Jr. Board Room of the Toms River Branch, 101 Washington Street.

Ocean County Library Commissioner Timothy McDonald was sworn in to a new five (5) year term and reappointed to a second term as Chair of the Library's governing body for 2024, Paul F. Wolleon was chosen as Vice Chair, and Susan L. Hutler was reappointed as liaison to the Ocean County Library Foundation.

Henry J. Mancini, Christopher J. Mullins, Bonnie R. Peterson, and Ruthanne Scaturro round out the seven-member Library Commission. Mrs. Hutler enters her 40th year of dedicated service and is the Ocean County Library's longest serving Commissioner.

"I am honored to be named Chair for a second year of a library system that is recognized for excellence at the state and national levels," Mr. McDonald said. "Last year The Institute of Museum and Library Services in Washington, D.C. named the Ocean County Library among 30 finalists from museums and libraries across the country for the 2023 National Medal, the nation's highest honor, recognizing institutions that demonstrate excellence in service to their communities."

"We will continue to make sure that anyone who use our Libraries will have a first-class enjoyable experience," Mr. McDonald concluded.

Ocean County Commissioner Virginia E. ("Ginny") Haines has taken on the role of Liaison to the Ocean County Library Board of Commissioners.

"The Ocean County Library system is the finest public library system in the state," said Commissioner Haines. "As a Commissioner, I have closely worked with Ocean County College and the Ocean County Vocational Technical schools, and now I look forward to working with the Ocean County Library as it continues to provide a wealth of educational opportunities for our residents and visitors."

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“Our library serves as the heart of our communities, connecting our residents and visitors with recreational, technological and learning activities,” she added. “It’s both a gathering place and a place for quiet study. It offers something for everyone.”



Timothy McDonald



***Ocean County Commissioner
Virginia E. Haines***



Paul F. Wolleon



Susan L. Hutler

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