

Warren-Newport Public Library District

Lake County, Illinois

Board of Trustees

Policy 2015

Imprest Account

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February 21, 2017

*This policy was subject to search and replace terminology changes *only* rather than a full review.

ARTICLE 1. PURPOSE

The purpose of the Imprest Account is to provide a method by which payments of less than \$1,000 can be made when time is of the essence and a delay of payment would cause additional expense or harm to the Library. The Imprest Account may also be used to refund the fee for a lost item.

ARTICLE 2. GUIDELINES FOR USE

The following policy guidelines shall apply to the Imprest Account of the Warren-Newport Public Library District:

- At no time shall the book balance of the account exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00).
- Checks may be drawn against this account throughout the month with approval of the Executive Director.
- The total amount drawn from the account in one (1) calendar month may not exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00).
- Checks require one signature as listed on the signature card kept on file with the bank. The signature card shall list at least three (3) persons authorized to sign checks: the Executive Director and at least two (2) officers of the Board of Trustees.
- Checks may be written for all purposes except payroll. Checks from this account may be written only when an expenditure is required prior to the regular monthly review and approval of expenditures at a meeting of the Library Board of Trustees.
- A list of all checks written from the Imprest Account will be presented with the monthly financial report for approval by the Board of Trustees. Each expenditure from the Imprest Account will be assigned to its appropriate line item in the appropriate fund.

- Each month, a check will be drawn on the general account for reimbursement of the Imprest Account up to the one thousand dollar (\$1,000.00) limit. Such reimbursement checks must be signed by two (2) authorized trustees, neither of whom endorsed any checks written from the Imprest Account that month. The Executive Director may not sign such reimbursement checks.

ARTICLE 3. REPORTING

Each July the Business Manager will issue to the Board of Trustees an annual report of all checks issued from the Imprest Account as of June 30 of the fiscal year just ended. The report shall contain the following information for each check:

- Check number
 - Payee
 - Date
 - Dollar amount
 - Signer
 - Line item assignment
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