

**Library Board Meeting
Frank Bertetti Benld Public Library
Wednesday, April 8, 2026**

President Chapman called the meeting to order at 5:10 p.m. on Wednesday, April 8, 2026.

Roll Call: Present – Trustees: Bill Bertetto, Don Chapman, Norm Emmons, Stacy Jarman, Vickie Laughlin, Cindy Saracco, and Librarian Mary Newman. Absent: Jerri Bayse, Denise Cadmus, and Dona Hubert.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Changes or additions to the agenda: Omit “Approval of the March 11, 2026 Special Meeting Minutes. These were approved at our last Board meeting.

Trustee Emmons made a motion to accept the minutes of the March 11, 2026 meeting; second by Trustee Laughlin. Voice vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

Trustee Saracco made a motion to approve the March 2026 Finance Report; second by Trustee Bertetto. Voice vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

Librarian’s Report: (Full report may be viewed on file.) Debbie Throne and her dog Gidget will be attending reading sessions with children for 5 Fridays in June and July. The Easter Bunny visited with 15 children. Two book signings will take place in April: Bree DePoppe on April 18 and Jim Marcacci on April 25. The Mobile Drivers Unit and ICash will be here on Tuesday, May 5 from 10-2. Connexus presented the library with a donation for summer programs in the amount of \$400 along with book bags and other items to give away. **Trustee Chapman made a motion to accept the Librarian’s report; second by Trustee Laughlin. Voice vote was unanimous. Motion carried.**

Committee Reports: None

City Liaison and Trustee, Norm Emmons had nothing pertaining to the library to report.

Continued Business: (a) CEJA Grant – All bills have been submitted. There is still no update on payment.

New Business: (a) Budget for FY 2026-2027 – **Trustee Bertetto made a motion to accept the FY 2026-2027 budget; second by Trustee Jarman. Voice vote was unanimous. Motion carried.** (b) Non-Resident Card fee for FY 2026-2027 – **Trustee Chapman made a motion to keep the non-resident card fee at \$35. Second by Trustee Saracco. Voice vote was unanimous. Motion carried.** (c) Silent Alarm for library security – Mary reported that in order for a silent alarm to be installed, a burglar alarm would have to first be installed. She has purchased a door chime for \$40 and suggested that we use that for now as it seems to be working to alert her of patrons when she is not at her desk. Everyone agreed to accept her recommendation. (d) Statement of Economic Interest for the County – Mary distributed the required documents, members completed them, and she collected them for mailing.

Items for Next Agenda – CEJA Grant

Trustee Emmons made a motion to adjourn the meeting; second by Trustee Jarman. Voice vote was unanimous. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 5:31p.m.

Respectfully Submitted, Cindy Saracco, Secretary