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Manistee County Library Board of Trustees - Meeting Minutes
Manistee County Library, 95 Maple Street - August 25, 2026, 9:45 am

Board Present: Lynn Williams, , Mark Fedder, Raini Gilmore, and Ralph Mortensen

Board Absent: Absent with notice, Pam Evans

Others Present: Richard Schmidt, Chrissy Streeter, Executive Director Julie Herringa, Dave Gillespie

Call to Order : Meeting was called to order at 9:45 am.

Pledge of Allegiance

Agenda - Agenda and Minutes

Motion: Fedder moved to approve the agenda as presented.

Support: Supported by Williams.

Result: Approved.

Minutes

Motion: Mortensen moved to approve the agenda as presented.

Support: Supported by Gilmore.

Result: Approved.

Public Comment No public comment

Meet the Staff: Dave Gillespie presented information about his program, "Game of Towns" cornhole championship, and detailed his ideas for next year.

Correspondence: A patron submitted photos of Audubon prints that were part of a passive program that the patron enjoyed.

Financial Report

Moved to next month, Dave absent.

Director's Report: Executive Director Julie had several county meetings and worked with Lisa Sagala on upcoming positions. We are on schedule for our major projects.

Committee Reports

- **Facilities Committee**
- **Finance Committee**
- **Personnel Committee:** The personnel committee recommended hiring an administrative aide and an HR focused manager.
Motion: Fedder moved to approve hiring of both positions as presented.
Support: Supported by Gilmore
Result: Approved.
- **Policy Committee**
- **Technology Committee**

Old Business:

Millage: Herringa presented millage brochures and shared upcoming community appearances.

Parking Lot: Herringa presented that that parking lot is on schedule and preliminary work will begin soon (parking barriers, social media, parking instructions, sealcoating preferences).

New Business:

Staff Development Day: Herringa presented information on the Mid-Michigan Library League annual meeting. This is a staff development opportunity and will provide

Motion: Fedder moved to approve closer for staff development on September 15 as presented.

Support: Supported by Williams

Result: Approved.

Reschedule September Board Meeting: Herringa presented that scheduling conflicts and bill cycles would make the scheduled board meeting challenging. The date of September 29 at 9:45am was proposed.

Motion: Fedder moved to approve the meeting date change as presented.

Support: Supported by Williams.

Result: Approved.

Request Full Mill: Herringa presented information regarding the County's process for allocating mill funding. Mortenson moved to approve the request for the full mill as presented.

Support: Supported by Fedder.

Result: Approved.

Public Comment: None

Board Training: None

Future Agenda Items

Adjournment

Motion: Fedder moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:56 am.

Support: Supported by Williams.

Result: Approved.

Recording Secretary: Julie Herringa

Approved on: September 29, 2026