

Trenton Public Library
118 East Indiana Street Trenton, Illinois 62293
Minutes of Board Meeting
August 24, 2026

Attending: Jackie Van Gorkom, Mary Huelsmann, Tom Rankin, Ann Albers, Larry Davis, Steve Schatz, Kim Wiggins, Hank Henderson, and Director Angie Chute.

Absent: Shari Tockstein

1. CALL TO ORDER: 6:59 pm by President Jackie Van Gorkom.
2. PUBLIC INPUT: NONE
3. REQUIRED ACTION/REPORTS
 - a. Minutes of July 2026 Board Meeting: Accepted as read.
 - b. Treasurer's Report: Filed for audit
 - c. Approval of bills: Steve motioned to pay the presented bills (total \$1,516.16); Larry 2nd. Motion approved.
4. INFORMATION REPORTS
 - a. President's Comments: NTR
 - b. City Council Representative: No one here
 - c. Committee Reports:
 - i. Building: see below
 - ii. Finance: Mary requested that packing slips for received shipments of books be signed and dated. Note that Hank needs to complete the signatory authorization process at Dieterich Bank. Mary says library finances are in good shape.
 - iii. Policies: Angie plans to print and distribute policy manuals specific to Board each position
 - d. Librarian's Report:
 - i. Personnel: NTR
 - ii. Programming: Angie has scheduled an author to be here for a program in September.
 - iii. Building: The city started work on raising the floor in the back room needed to stop water damage. Angie needed to procure a storage pod to move everything out of the room before work could begin. Carpet is scheduled for installation this week. Angie will coordinate the set up and move-in of everything after work is completed and the dust has settled..
5. NEW BUSINESS:
 - a. Bond for treasurer update: Angie learned that the required bond is for the position only and not for the individual since our Treasurer is a volunteer.
 - b. Halloween Festival update: The neighbor who sets up so many things for the festival wants to back down and not do as much this year.
 - c. Current Tax Rate discussion: the new tax rate did not include the possible increase for the library, and we need to address next year's rate this September. This will require a 'Truth in Taxation' open to the public session before our Sept. 28th meeting. A motion from Tom to hold the session was approved. Angie will get the necessary notice in the The Sun.
6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS - none
7. ITEMS NOT ON AGENDA - NTR
8. REMINDERS
 - a. Next meeting will be held September 28th @ 7:00 p.m.
9. ADJOURNMENT
 - a. Meeting adjourned at 7:28 p.m.

Minutes taken by Hank JHenderson