

Library Board Meeting
Frank Bertetti Benld Public Library
Wednesday, October 8, 2025

President Jerri Bayse called the meeting to order at 6:10 pm.

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

Pledge of Allegiance.

There were no additions to the agenda.

Trustee Emmons made a motion to approved the September 10, 2025 minutes, seconded by Trustee Jarman. Voice vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

Trustee Cadmus made a motion to approve the September Finance Report.; seconded by President Bayse. Voice vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

Librarian's Report: (Full report may be viewed in file.) Librarian Mary Newman reported that the gutters have been installed. Bar codes are continuing to be placed on the front of the books for the new sorting system. Adult programs have been well received. The first property tax installment for \$8,509.88 has been received. Trunk or Treat is October 26th in the Benld City Park. The Mobile Driver's unit and I Cash were here on October 7th and was well attended. **Trustee Emmons made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Trustee Hubert. Voice vote to approved. Motion carried.**

Committee Reports: There were no committee reports.

City Liaison and Trustee Emmons had nothing new to report.

Continued Business: (a) CEJA grant – waiting to hear back from the City of Gillespie regarding submitting our bill for the gutters. Down to less than \$200 in the technology grant funds to spend. The Amore's fund raiser was successful. Waiting for a bid for the concrete work. Mary voiced concern about the contractor for the concrete work (CEJA grant funds) submitting a bid and being able to hold a special meeting to approve the bid. The contractor had stated the work would be approximately \$6,000.00. Due to the possibility that when the bid is received the board may not be available to hold a special meeting. **Trustee Bertetto motioned that up to \$7,000.00 be approved in advance for the work. Seconded by Trustee Cadmus. Voice vote was unanimous. Motion carried.** Mary will contact everyone when we get a bid in for the work. Trunk or Treat will be held on October 26th in the park. Kringle orders are due at the end of the month.

New Business: Trustee Laughlin administered the Oath of office to Trustee Bayse and Bertetto. They have been reappointed to three year terms expiring October 2028. The State Library will be releasing information on the Per Capita Grant in November.

Items for the Next Agenda: Oath of Office to Trustee Chapman, Election of Officers, concrete work update, update on trimming of the landscape.

Trustee Emmons made a motion to adjourn the meeting, second by Trustee Cadmus. Voice vote was unanimous. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Bill Bertetto