



LAKE GENEVA PUBLIC LIBRARY

Library Board Meeting

Date: Thursday, July 10, 2025
Time: 3:30 p.m.
Place: Lake Geneva Public Library, Smith Meeting Room
918 W Main Street, Lake Geneva, WI 53147

Board Members

Dennis Lyon, President	Lynelle Gramm, VP	Larry Kundert, Fin. Sec. / Treasurer	Sherri
Ames	Lori Hartz	Barb Dinan	
Mardi Pennington	Chris Brookes	Wen-D Kersten	
Jill Rodriguez	Nick Vorpagel		

Library Director: Emily Kornak

MINUTES

1. President Lyon called the meeting to order at 3:30 pm
2. Roll call: Lyon, Ames, Pennington, Rodriguez, Brookes, Vorpagel, Kundert, Kersten present. Gramm, Dinan, Hartz excused. Also present: Kornak. Guest: City Administrator De Angelis (departed after item 5c).
3. Review and approval of previous meeting minutes: Kundert/Ames motion to approve passed unanimously.
4. Public comment: maximum of 5 minutes per speaker, limited to items on this agenda - None
5. Library Impact Fee update: City Administrator report
 - a. De Angelis noted that current impact fees are designated for a library branch or satellite location.
 - b. Vorpagel suggested a possible collaboration with Badger High School for a (mobile) branch library building, to be built by high school woodworking students. The board will investigate as we move forward, and Vorpagel will check interest with the school board.
 - c. Board inquired about a possible ordinance change to expand usage of future impact fees. De Angelis explained that a request for such an ordinance change should come from the library board, to evaluate determination of how impact fees are designated, then it would go to consultant for review. The library board will add this to the discussion/action items on the August meeting agenda.
6. Finance, Building, & Grounds Committee report (Kundert)
 - a. Building and grounds report: roofing maintenance done 7/9/2025
 - b. Review and approval of the previous month's invoices: Kundert/Vorpagel motion to approve previous month's invoices of \$118,868.43 passed unanimously.
 - c. Investment/donation report: Special project funds are invested in CDs for use in the Smith Meeting Room renovation project. Kundert/Rodriguez motion to add the city comptroller as a signer on the donated account passed unanimously.



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- d. Budget update: very preliminary 2026 budget draft now available - working version will be uploaded to Google Drive for trustees to review and edit
- 7. President's report (Lyon)
 - a. Continuing education: Trustee Essentials Sections 3, discussion questions
- 8. Director's report (Kornak)
 - a. Gale online resource for older adults under staff review
 - b. Council approval of renovation contracts
 - c. Outreach policy coming to the next board meeting
 - d. Architects on site tomorrow, July 11
- 9. Committee updates
 - a. Personnel (Rodriguez): step increases for eligible staff will take effect first July pay period. City wage study / update will happen before finalizing 2026 operating budget request.
 - b. Strategic Planning (Brookes)
 - i. Next meeting in September (will meet quarterly) - September 4, 2025 at 3:00 pm, Smith Meeting Room
 - ii. Agenda item for September - landmarking of LGPL (nomination)
- 10. Friends of the LGPL report (Brookes)
 - a. Working on Tea and Tales program on August 26 - located historic documents that discuss restroom removal in 1941 (comfort stations!).
- 11. City report (Ames)
 - a. Piers update, stoplights, staff hiring update.
- 12. School board report (Dinan) - no report, Dinan excused.
- 13. Adjournment: Kundert/Ames motion to adjourn at 5:00 pm passed unanimously.