

**MORRILL PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD MEETING  
JULY 15, 2024**

**1. ROUTINE MATTERS:**

- A. President Cindy Larson called the meeting to order at 5:06 p.m. Cindy stated that notice of the meeting was posted in three places and the MPL Board meetings are subject to the Open Meeting Laws and will be conducted as such.
- B. Members present: Cindy Larson, Kathy Calahan, Deb Meyer, Carol Wells, and Director Sarah Alfred.  
Pete Cawiezel and Village Board member Steve Engelman were also present.
- C. Deb moved to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of May 13, 2024. Carol seconded. All ayes, motion carried.
- E. There was no correspondence nor public requests to comment on the agenda.

**2. BUSINESS TRANSACTIONS:**

- A. Financial Report: Sarah provided an updated copy of the Village budget to each board member as well as the library budget. All items were in order. Kathy moved to approve the financial report and it was seconded by Deb. All ayes, motion carried.

**3. LIBRARY DIRECTOR REPORT:**

- A. Sarah provided a detailed report to each board member and a copy was sent to the Village Office. She has activities planned for each Friday morning in July, with the exception of July 5, for the adult Friday mornings.  
Repairs and Maintenance – Discussion was held concerning the flooding from the back door after heavy rains. Sarah will talk to the Village maintenance crew to see what can be done.  
New Materials - The library has received many summer books and new teen books. Summer Reading has been going well with activities such as STEM kits, a scavenger hunt, and painting rocks to make a Tic-Tac-Toe board.  
The Western Library System annual meeting will be held Aug. 5 at the Wildcat Hills. Deb, Carol, and Kathy plan to attend along with Sarah.  
Carol moved to approve Sarah’s report and Deb seconded. All ayes, motion carried.

**4. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

- A. There was no unfinished business.

**5. NEW BUSINESS:**

- A. Library accreditation was discussed. All board members are up to date. Sarah needs 30 more hours by 2026. The library will need to apply for accreditation again in 2025 or 26.
- B. The Western Library System annual meeting will be held Aug. 5 at the Wildcat Hill beginning at 9:00a.m. Deb, Carol, and Kathy plan to attend along with Sarah.
- C. Cindy Larson will be leaving the board as her term is up. The board thanked her for her years of service. Pete Cawiezel was brought on as a new board member for the next four years. Deb Meyer will serve as the upcoming board president, Pete Cawiezel will be the vice president and Kathy Calahan will continue as secretary.

D. The Village Board annual meeting will be on August 13 at 10:30 a.m. Library board members are welcome to attend and accompany Sarah.

Sarah mentioned that the Rotary will meet at the library on August 31.

Next meeting will be held September 9, 2024 at 5:00 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Deb adjourned the meeting at 5:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Kathy Calahan, MPL Board Secretary