



Board Meeting Minutes

The Thursday, July 10, 2025, meeting of the Emporia Public Library Board of Directors was called to order at 4:20 p.m. by Alex Mosakowski, Chair. Present were board members Alex Mosakowski, Sarah Wyrick, Heather Caswell, Erren Harter, Caron Daugherty; Director Pauline Stacchini. Two guests: Kevin Hanlin (Director of Public Lands and Facilities) and Mark Detter (Deputy City Manager).

Approve Agenda: The agenda was approved with the addition of discussion of the bathroom remodel, under New Business. (MSP: Harter/Daugherty 5-0)

Public Comment: none

Consent Agenda: The Board approved the consent agenda, including minutes and reports. (MSP: Harter/Daugherty 5-0)

Treasurer's Report: Financials for June 2025 were presented and reviewed by Director Stacchini, in the absence of Treasurer Lobbs. Approved including payment of bills. (MSP: Harter/Wyrick 5-0)

Unfinished Business: The current Board Directory was presented. Some additions and corrections were noted.

New Business:

A: Discuss bathroom remodel project: The bids came in \$120,000 over the architect's estimate. The City has asked the library to contribute half of the increased cost, \$59,500. After hearing from Kevin Hanlin, Director of Public Lands and Facilities, and Mark Detter, Deputy City Manager, it was decided that the library budget & finance committee would meet, then bring a recommendation to the Board. The Board will be convened for a Special Meeting to vote in favor/against the committee's recommendation. The City Commission will review the Library Board's proposal at their August 6 study session and make a decision about the project at their August 20 commission meeting.

B: Director's Report: Stacchini reported the Kansas Library System's guidelines as to planning—community needs assessment. Stacchini is 2nd Vice-President of the Kansas Library Association. She has spent considerable time managing the association's

transition from an Executive Secretary to service provider and from one membership management platform to another in this position.

Friends Report: In the absence of Harvey Foyle, Caswell presented on the continued success of First Fridays, and the collaboration with Middle Ground Books.

Board Comment: None

The meeting was adjourned at 5:25 p.m.

Next board meeting will be Thursday, August 14, 2025, at 4:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Sarah Wyrick, Secretary



Board Chair



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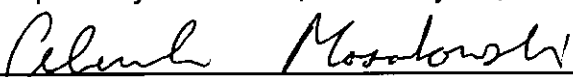
Special Board Meeting Minutes

A special meeting of the Emporia Public Library Board of Directors was convened via ZOOM at 8:15 a.m. on Friday, July 25, 2025.

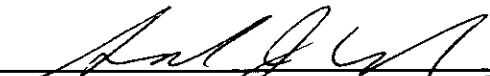
Following a meeting of the Budget & Finance Committee, the Executive Director, the Assistant Director of Operations, and the City of Emporia City Manager on Monday, July 21, the Committee recommended that the EPL Board approve paying \$30,000 out of Capital Outlay funds to assist the City of Emporia in funding a bathroom remodel, office build and demolition of a wall in the storytime room. (MSP: Lobbs/Summy 8-0)

The meeting was adjourned at 8:37 a.m.

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