

The Oelwein Public Library Board of Trustees met on Wednesday, September 9, 2026, at 5:30 p.m. at the Oelwein Public Library.

Present: VanDenHul, Franzen, Solsma, Kerns, and Macken

Absent: Ingersoll, Payne

VanDenHul called the meeting to order at 5:34 p.m.

Agenda Approved: Franzen made a motion to approve the agenda. Seconded by Solsma. Motion carried.

Minutes Approved: Franzen made a motion to approve the minutes. Seconded by Solsma. Motion carried.

Correspondence and communications: none

Trustee Training: Culture of Learning- Attending Classes and Conferences - The library allows the director and library staff to participate in continuing education opportunities during their work time.

Director's Report:

- Program attendance
 - Garbage Truck: 38
 - Legos: 12
 - Back to School Scavenger Hunt: 41
 - Bee Bots: 3
- Upcoming Classes:
 - Makerworld: September 14, 6:00
 - Americana Bells: September 14, 6:00
 - Book Club: Spirit Lake Massacre: September 24, 6:00
 - Bike Repair and Maintenance: September 26, 10:00
 - Morning Book Club: Our Heritage: September 28, 10:00
 - Snowflake Quilling Class: October 1, 1:30
 - Iowa Scenic Views by Foot: October 13, 6:00
- Sprinkler Estimates will be presented to the City Council on September 14.
 - Blackhawk Automatic Sprinklers, Cedar Falls: \$21,640
 - Pye-Barker Fire & Safety, Iowa City: \$20,470
 - Elite Fire Sprinkler Systems, Hiawatha: \$14,135
 - Iowa Fire Protection, Hiawatha: \$11,400
- Internet Line Cut by West Union Trenching on August 26. The internet was down for one day. Mediacom fixed the line and installed a new modem.
- The east side interior windowsills were replaced by Miller Construction. They used the same deck board material as was used on the west windows.
- The Passport Acceptance Agent recertification has been completed by Susan, Katie H., and Katie S. Lori is in the process of getting certified.

Friends' Report: The annual meeting will be on September 14 at 10:00.

Bills Approved: Kerns made a motion to approve the list of bills. Seconded by Franzen. Motion carried.

Unfinished Business- none

New Business- none

Policy Review: Open Meetings Law and Library Board of Trustees Meetings

Kerns made a motion to specify the notice of the agenda to be “on the outside of the front entrance windows, on the library’s social media sites, and the library's website. The place is annually designated by the library board.” Seconded by Solsma. Motion carried.

Adjournment: Kerns made a motion to adjourn at 5:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Susan Macken

Next Meeting: October 20 at 5:30