

**Bradley Public Library
Board of Trustees
Regular Meeting June 17, 2026
Drassler Conference Room**

President Bayer called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

Trustees Present: Nick Allen, Jody Andriano, Karen Bayer, Lucson Edme, Paula Goodwin, Brandon Hawkins, Jessica Trudeau

Trustees Absent: None

Also Present: Jodie DePatis, Director, Marie Cowden, Recording Secretary

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Trustee Andriano made a motion to accept the minutes of the May 20, 2026 Regular Board meeting. Trustee Hawkins seconded and motion carried by unanimous vote.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

FINANCIAL REPORT AND APPROVAL OF VENDOR PAYMENTS:

Trustee Bayer made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as submitted and to accept vendor payments in the amount of \$35,256.74 for the month of May 2026. Trustee Edme seconded and motion carried by roll call of 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

(Statistical Reports Attached)

Director DePatis stated the following:

- **Building:** MATCO repaired the small leak in an attic pipe. A 5-year inspection of the pipes was completed and showed significant debris in the sprinkler mains. It was recommended that we flood and flush pipes to try to remove the debris as it would most likely clog the sprinkler heads if the system was activated.
- **Grants:** Purchased the UV printer for the FY2026 PNG grant. Programs are ongoing. We were awarded \$5,712.00 in federal Erate funding to offset the cost of Internet access by approximately 80% for FY2026-27. Our FY2027 Per Capita Grant application was approved with an award totaling \$20,998.40. We received a FY2027 Security grant in the amount of \$38,082.00 to replace our video surveillance system and add additional cameras, replace our end-of-life fire alarm system, and update our access control systems.
- **Personnel:** Lindsay Gund was hired as a PT Circulation Clerk and started June 1. Nick Boswell and Holden Shipano were hired as PT Seasonal workers to assist in the Youth Department for summer reading.
- **Programs:** Plant a Seed, Read summer reading programs are in progress (June 1-July 31). The Friends of the Library assisted with funding and volunteers for the annual parking lot party on June 12 from 6-8pm. It was successful. Thank you to the Board members that helped out at this event. The summer lunch program began June 8 and runs through August 6 with attendance from 30-50. Lunches are served Monday-Thursday from 11:30am-12:30pm. Summer pantries are scheduled for June 23, July 14, and August 11 from 5-6:30pm. Volunteers are needed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- **Finance:** Director DePatis stated that light fixtures will be retrofit or replaced in the library due to their end-of-life condition. This will be done in 2 stages with one area having existing fixtures retrofit and a second area needing replacement fixtures. To take advantage of ComEd incentives, fixtures and needed parts will be ordered now with installation taking place in August or September. KPI will handle

the installation, and estimated cost for the project is \$24,300 for the retrofit project and \$3,200 for the replacement fixtures.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- **Roof Repairs:** The insurance assessor report indicated that the roof will need to be removed and replaced. The total cost is estimated at \$58,000, and the library is responsible for a \$5,000 deductible. Due to the cost, the job will be put out for bids.
The Building and Grounds Committee has been reinstated to help coordinate the roofing project. Trustee Hawkins and Trustee Andriano volunteered to be on the committee.

NEW BUSINESS:

- **Approve Ordinance 26-01: Building and Maintenance Levy FY2027-28:** Motion by Trustee Allen to approve the Ordinance. Trustee Goodwin seconded and motion carried by roll call of 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent.
- **Set Public Hearing Date for FY2-27-28 Budget & Appropriations Ordinance:** Trustee Hawkins made a motion to set the Public Hearing date at 6 p.m. on August 19, 2026. Trustee Andriano seconded and motion carried by unanimous vote.
- **Secretary's review of closed meeting minutes:** Trustee Bayer made a motion to keep closed meeting minutes closed. Trustee Trudeau seconded and motion carried by unanimous vote.
- **Set Non-resident card fee for FY2026-27:** Trustee Andriano made a motion to increase the non-resident yearly card fee to \$225.00. Trustee Allen seconded and motion carried by roll call of 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent.
- **Review FY2026-27 Working Budget:** Trustee Hawkins made a motion to approve the working budget and Trustee Edme seconded. Motion carried by roll call of 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent.

COMMUNICATIONS/CORRESPONDENCE: None

ADJOURNMENT: At 6:40 p.m. Trustee Hawkins made a motion to adjourn. Trustee Edme seconded and motion carried by unanimous vote.

The next regularly scheduled board meeting will be Wednesday, July 15th at 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jessica Trudeau
Secretary

Marie Cowden
Recording Secretary