

Minutes of the
Ray Township Public Library
Regular Board Meeting
June 19th, 2025
Held at the Ray Township Public Library

The Ray Township Public Library Chairperson, Jim Jerse, called the meeting to order at the Ray Township Public Library

PRESENT: **Jim Jerse, Chairperson**
 Barbara Rollins, Secretary
 Christy DeMeulenaere, Director
 Wayne Conner, Vice-Chairperson
 Tammy Boettcher, Member
 Mary Barnes, Treasurer

ABSENT WITH NOTICE: **Marla Stabile, Member**

ALSO PRESENT: **Ann Ripley**

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Approved as written

APPROVAL OF THE SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MAY 19TH, 2025

The minutes were approved as distributed.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Barnes stated that the bill's list was revised. The original total was \$11,775.45. An outstanding invoice from Midwest Tape and Onpay was added to bring the bills list total to \$12,302.57.

APPROVAL OF THE JUNE 16th, 2025 BILLS LIST

MOTION by Conner, supported by Rollins, to approve the June 16th, 2025, Bills List and cover letter as presented for \$12,302.57.

AYES: **ALL**
NAYES: **NONE**
ABSENT: **Marla Stabile, Member**
MOTION: **Carried.**

BUDGET TO ACTUAL

Barnes stated the Library should be 17% for the new fiscal year. A couple of line items are over; however, with the first of the year and high bills paid, it will balance out.

The budget to Actual will be filed for Audit

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

DeMeulenaere reviewed the monthly report with the Board.

- DeMeulenaere provided the Board with Class 1 Library feedback
- Summer Reading Program prep has been completed
- River Day will be in partnership with Wolcott Farm
- Ray Day is coming up, and the Library will sell

Friends of the Ray Township Library and Historical Society

DeMeulenaere stated

- The group completed the Road Clean Up, which was the last one for the group.
- Working in the Silent Auction
- Michelle Kouri, Secretary of the group, will be moving to Arizona by the end of the year.

Committees

Policies - Did not meet

Personnel: Did not meet

Budget - Did not meet

Board To Board - The group did meet

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Director Reviewed: - Tabled

State of the Library - Tabled

NEW BUSINESS

Rent agreement with the Township

The Library Board discussed the Special Meeting with the Township Board. Jerse stated that he replied to Crump that the Library did not need to reach out to counsel due to section 205 and will wait to hear a response from him.

Ann Ripley stated that she did not like the way that members of the Township Board talked to the Library Board at the Special Board to Board meeting, and that the audience was made to feel like they were ignorant and did not know what we pay with our taxes.

Approval to promote Paige Jones to Library Assistant

DeMeulenaere stated that Jones has graduated with her Bachelor's Degree and is going to Library School in the fall at Wayne State. With her degree, transcripts, and completion of the Beginning Workshop, she is eligible for a Level 3 Certification.

MOTION by Conner, supported by Barnes, to promote Paige Jones to Library Assistant with a new pay of \$19.00 p/hr effective July 22nd, 2025.

AYES:	ALL
NAYES:	NONE
ABSENT:	Marla Stabile, Member
MOTION:	Carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS/CORRESPONDENCE:

None

ADJOURNMENT

No further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by:

Christy DeMeulenaere, Director

Approved by:

Barbara Rollins, Secretary

Jim Jerse, Chairperson