Mount Carroll District Library Board Meeting Minutes

September 10, 2025

Call to Order: 6:00 PM by M. Foltz

Attendees: Board of Trustees: Marsha Foltz, Tom Sorg, Virginia De Swarte, Sibyl Doty, and Pat Foltz

Library Director: Izzy Foltz

Guests: Anna Gray,

Voice Roll Call: M. Foltz- present, Sorg- present, De Swarte- present, Wilkinson- absent, Wheeler-

absent, Doty-present, P. Foltz-present

Agenda Approval: De Swarte/Doty

Public Comment: none

Friends of the Library Report:

The friends had just had their monthly meeting before the library board. They had donated to the Davis Center Trivia Night and were planning to have another coffee meeting at the Davis Center. Another coffee meeting will be held at the library on November 18th. The Sophie Coyote Trio was a successful performance. The Friends had just decorated the library for fall. There are two more Road Scholar presenters before this year's grant is complete.

Secretary Report Approval: De Swarte/P. Foltz

Financial Report Approval: Sorg/Doty

Payment of Bills: P. Foltz/De Swarte

Librarian's Report:

Monthly numbers were a little down. Izzy also went through the monthly calendar of programs. Highland Community College had to reschedule their first presentation. The grant which allows us to pay our intern will be used up in the next month or so, but having Hazel in the library has been a positive experience. There was also a discussion about having Izzy check in at open on days that they are not scheduled to work.

Committee Reports:

Building and landscape maintenance:

There was some discussion about adding solar lights along the walkway to the lower entrance for people leaving after dark. An electrician will be contacted to look at the light in the lower entry as well. The weeds around the library have been cleared. The board discussed long term plans to maintain the weeds in the gravel between the library and the road.

Finance: no report

Old Business:

An event to celebrate Char Behrens' Artwork is being planned. A plaque will be ordered as well, but it is important to cite the grant recognition accurately on our signage.

New Business:

Review and adopt annual budget and appropriation ordinance for the fiscal year beginning the first day of July 2025 and ending the 30th day of June 2026: P. Foltz/De Swarte

Passed unanimously by roll call vote with Wilkinson and Wheeler absent.

Meeting adjourned at 6:31 PM P. Foltz/De Swarte

Respectfully submitted by Pat Foltz