



MINUTES

Board of Trustees Meeting
150 North Ottawa St. Board Room
August 21, 2025, 6:00PM

1. Convene and Call to Order

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Joliet Public Library was held on August 21, 2025. The meeting started at 6:00 PM with Vice President Nancy Henricksen presiding.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Katie Gulas led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Roll Call of Trustees

Trustees present: Henricksen, Bottomley, Gulas, Gawlik, Rohder-Tonelli, Ostrem.

Trustees absent: Markley and Samalea.

Harris arrived at 6:15 PM

Staff members present: Megan Millen, Laura Yanchick, Linda Ling, and Dana Perry.

Also in attendance were Consetta, Joyce, Bill, Pat Riley and Doug Casper from the Non-Violent Cities Project.

4. Agenda Revision and Approval

Ostrem moved and Bottomley seconded to approve the agenda.

The motion carried unanimously via voice vote

5. Minutes Review, Revision, and Approval

Trustee Board Meeting Minutes – July 17, 2025.

MOTION: Gawlik moved and Bottomley seconded to approve the minutes from July 17, 2025 with the following edit: Treasurers report moved by Harris. The motion carried unanimously via voice vote.

6. Treasurer's Report

MOTION: Bottomley moved and Gulas seconded to accept and authorize for payment Accounts Payable for August 21st, 2025 in the amount of \$60,532.87, Checks Written since Last Board Meeting on 7/17/2025 in the amount of \$197,398.06 and the Electronic Payroll Transfers on 7/18/2025, 8/1/2025, 8/15/2025 - \$468,670.10 for a Total Accounts Payable of \$726,601.03

The motion passed unanimously with the following Trustees voting "aye":, Henricksen, Bottomley, Gulas, Gawlik, Rohder-Tonelli, Ostrem.

MOTION: Bottomley moved and Gawlik seconded to accept and file for audit the 7/31/2025 Balance Sheet, the Report of Accounts, Cash Drawers and Tax Distribution. The motion passed unanimously with the following trustees voting "aye" Henricksen, Bottomley, Gulas, Gawlik, Rohder-Tonelli, Ostrem.

7. Public Participation on Action Items – None.

8. Executive Director Report – Megan Millen

A complete Report was included in the Board Packet. Following are some of the highlights of her report:

Project Black Road Update

Contractors report that we are on track to finish Phase 1 by early to mid-December. They may recommend closing for a week between Phases 1 and 2. No issues were found during demolition, so our contingency remains intact, which may allow for added improvements

JPL met with Joliet Township Supervisor Cesar Guerrero about a program to offer Family Library Cards to unincorporated Joliet Township residents. The Township would be billed monthly or quarterly using the tax bill method. An IGA is being drafted, with a target launch in October.

9. Deputy Director Report – Jim Deiters

Deputy Deiters is on leave. No report submitted this month.

10. Unfinished Business – None.

11. New Business –

ACTION ITEMS-

- **Motion to approve FY2024 Audit**

Rohder-Tonelli moved and Gulas seconded to approve the FY2024 Audit.

The motion passed unanimously with the following trustees voting “aye”
Henricksen, Bottomley, Gulas, Gawlik, Rohder-Tonelli, Ostrem.

12. Public Participation – Doug Casper from the Non-Violent Cities Project represented the group and addressed the Board

13. Staff Reports –

A complete report from department managers was included in the Board Packet.

14. Announcements

15. Adjournment

MOTION: Harris moved and Gawlik seconded to adjourn the meeting at 6:31PM.
The motion carried unanimously via voice vote.

Secretary, Kelly Rohder-Tonelli

Date