MEETING OF THE

LIBRARY BOARD OF THE CITY OF FALLS CITY, NEBRASKA FALLS CITY LIBRARY & ARTS CENTER FALLS CITY, NEBRASKA

December 3, 2025

- 1. ROLL CALL:
- 2. AGENDA APPROVAL: December 3, 2025
- 3. MINUTES: November 5, 2025
- 4. CLAIMS & REVENUES: November 2025
- 5. OLD BUSINESS
 - a. Security System Schedule/ IT Maintenance
 - b. Used Book Sale: 78 books, 1 film, 11 other, 91 total items
 - c. Library Operations
 - d. Building Maintenance: Blake Buckminster
- 6. NEW BUSINESS:
 - a. Librarian's Report
- 7. ADJOURNMENT

Allie McCann, Librarian

THE FALLS CITY LIBRARY & ARTS CENTER 1400 STONE STREET FALLS CITY, NEBRASKA 68355

November 5, 2025

A meeting of the Library Board of the City of Falls City, Nebraska, was held at the Falls City Library & Arts Center 1400 Stone Street, in said City on the 5th of November, 2025, at 4:15 P.M. Present were: Board Members: McNeely, Froeschl, Harris, Dean, and recording secretary Librarian McCann. Absent: Heckenlively. Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by posting in three public places, the designated method for posting as shown by the Certificate of Posting Notice attached to these minutes. Notice of this meeting was given to the President and Library Board of this meeting. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the public.

AGENDA

A motion was made by Harris and seconded by Dean to approve the agenda for November 5th meeting. Roll was called on this motion and the members voted as follows: "YEA" Froeschl, Harris, McNeely, Dean. "NAY" None. Motion carried. Absent: Heckenlively.

MINUTES

A motion was made by Harris and seconded by McNeely to approve the October 2025 minutes. Roll was called on this motion and the members voted as follows: "YEA" Harris, Froeschl, McNeely, Dean. "NAY" None. Motion carried. Absent: Heckenlively.

CLAIMS & REVENUE

The October claims and revenues were reviewed and a motion was made by McNeely and seconded by Harris for approval. Roll was called on this motion and the members voted as follows: "YEA" Harris, McNeely, Froeschl, Dean, Heckenlively. "NAY" None. Motion carried. Absent: Heckenlively.

SECURITY SYSTEM SCHEDULE/ IT CONSULTANT

The gallery control panel has been completed. Brad is also looking into solutions for replacing/upgrading wireless and wired network equipment as it is aging. Brad is working on replacing staff computers along with others throughout the building.

USED BOOK SALE

A list of 55 items was reviewed and a motion was made by Harris and seconded by Dean to remove these items and sell with proceeds to the Grant Fund. Roll was called on this motion and the members voted as follows: "YEA" Froeschl, Harris, McNeely, Dean. "NAY" None. Motion carried. Absent: Heckenlively.

LIBRARY OPERATIONS

At this time the current hours meet the needs of patrons use for computers, programs, and meetings. Saturday attendance continues to average approximately 20-25. Staff will continue to keep stats on attendance.

BUILDING MAINTENANCE

With ongoing work in the alley, drive up window is closed. Two lights in the south parking lot have not been fixed, and other lighting issues have been addressed. Other items on the maintenance list are cement sidewalks, steps, ramps, curbs, and exterior.

2025-2026 BUDGET

Librarian McCann has received an official budget document from City Administrator Nussbaum. Librarian McCann, board member Froeschl, and staff member Blaylock met with Nussbaum to discuss the budget. Over \$300,000 had to be cut out of the city budget, the library was the last department to look at due to there being little room to make cuts. The book budget went from \$29,500 to \$15,000.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

Monthly statistics, monthly handout

Continuing education report, attached.

Stalder Gallery: "Rural Life Captured", Chana Orton- Solo Exhibition. November 7 – January 3, 2026. Christina Wertenberger is the curator.

Senior Socials is every Monday at 10:30AM, thanks to the Peggy Barber grant.

Book Clubs: True Crime meets November 12 at 5pm; Regular meets November 20 at 1pm; Chick Lit meets November 6 at 5:30pm, Silent Book Club meets November 6, 12-1 and 5-6pm.

The After School Club started back up for kids K-5, usually 6-10 kids. Family Fun will be every 2nd Saturday of the month, November 8.

Special events in October – Puzzle Competion – November 4. Adult Craft Day – November 10 @ 1:30 & 4:30. Chips & Chapters – Thursdays @ 3:30, ages 8+.

1000 Books Challenge turns one November 20. 67 participants with 11 completed. Over 26,000 books read.

Reading Dragons turns 6 months old November 7. 97 signed up, 265+ hours read, 2,400+ cards rewarded.

The next meeting of the Board: Wednesday, December 3, 2025 @ 4:15 P.M.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Dean and seconded by McNeely to adjourn the meeting. Roll was called on this motion and the members voted as follows: "YEA" Froeschl, McNeely, Harris, Dean. "NAY" None. Motion carried. Absent: Heckenlively.

MEETING ADJOURNED

I the undersigned Library Director for the City of Falls City, Nebraska, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the proceedings had and done by the President and the Library Board on November 5, 2025, that all of the subjects included in the foregoing proceedings were contained in the agenda for the meeting; kept continually current and available for public inspection at the office of the City Clerk;

that such agenda items were sufficiently descriptive to give the public reasonable notice of the matters to be considered at the meeting; that at least one copy of all reproducible material discussed at the meeting was available for public inspection within ten working days and prior to the next convened meeting of said body; that all news media requesting notification concerning meetings of said body were provided in advance notification of the time and place of said meeting and that a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was available and accessible to members of the public, posted during such meeting in the room in which such meeting was held.

Allie McCann, Librarian	Tim Heckenlively, President