

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

March 4, 2026

- 1. ROLL CALL:**
- 2. AGENDA APPROVAL: March 4, 2026**
- 3. MINUTES: February 4, 2026**
- 4. CLAIMS & REVENUES: February 2026**
- 5. OLD BUSINESS**
 - a. Security System Schedule/ IT Maintenance**
 - b. Used Book Sale: 235 books, 77 film, 3 other, 315 total items**
 - c. Library Operations**
 - d. Building Maintenance: Blake Buckminster**
- 6. NEW BUSINESS:**
 - a. Nebraska Public Library Survey**
 - b. Librarian's Report**
- 7. ADJOURNMENT**

Allie McCann, Librarian

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February 4, 2026

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 4th of February, 2026 at 4:15 P.M. Present were: Board Members: McNeely, Harris, Dean, Froeschl 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 McNeely to approve the agenda for February 4th meeting. Roll was called on this motion and the members voted as follows: “YEA” Harris, McNeely, Dean, Froeschl. “NAY” None. Motion carried. Absent: Heckenlively.

MINUTES

A motion was made by Harris and seconded by McNeely to approve the January 2026 minutes. Roll was called on this motion and the members voted as follows: “YEA” Harris, McNeely, Dean, Froeschl. “NAY” None. Motion carried. Absent: Heckenlively.

CLAIMS & REVENUE

The January claims and revenues were reviewed and a motion was made by Harris and seconded by McNeely for approval. Roll was called on this motion and the members voted as follows: “YEA” Harris, McNeely, Dean, Froeschl. “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 needs to replace a monitor on the front patron computer and add Microsoft Word to the other front patron computer. Computers in the teen corner and the Genealogy room still need updated.

USED BOOK SALE

A list of 210 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” Harris, McNeely, Dean, Froeschl. “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

Electronic Contracting Company was contacted to come down in November to check a duct detector that was setting the alarms off after hours. Andrew didn't find any trouble on the panel but did clean the duct detector and verified it was working. He thought that there was moisture getting in the detector and to let them know if there is continued issues. During the cold weather the alarms were going off again for that sensor. Librarian McCann let Blake Buckminster know of the issues so he can work with Andrew in the future.

AMBER HOLLE - CREATIVE DISTRICT

Amber Holle, a member of the Creative District, shared the current standing of the Stone Street Amphitheater that is to be located on the lot north of the library.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

Monthly statistics, monthly handout

Continuing education report, attached.

Stalder Gallery: 75th K-12 Student Art Contest. February 17-March 27. Open house reception February 18 Christina Wertenberger is the curator.

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

Book Clubs: True Crime meets February 10 at 5pm; Regular meets February 19 at 1pm; Chick Lit meets February 24 at 5:30pm, Silent Book Club meets February 12, 12-1 and 5-6pm. Cookbook club meets February 26 @ 5:30 – theme, a recipe you love.

The Library Leavers is Tuesdays at 3:30 for kids K-5, usually 6-10 kids. Infant/Toddler storytime is Wednesdays at 11. Family Fun will be every 2nd Saturday of the month, February 14.

Special events in February – Adult craft day – Monday February 9 @ 5pm. Author visit Dean Settle will share about his book “Inside Nebraska Courthouses” February 10 @ 1pm. Pretty in Pink 40th anniversary movie showing in the gallery, Thursday, February 12 @ 5:30. Seed Swap Saturday February 28 @ 10am.

City Administrator Anthony Nussbaum has sent out a letter of resignation. His last day is February 20.

The Library will be closed Monday, February 16th for Presidents Day.

Allie McCann will be on vacation February 6-11. Jayme Coonce will be on vacation February 17 & 18.

The next meeting of the Board: Wednesday, March 4, 2026 @ 4:15 P.M

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by McNeely and seconded by Harris to adjourn the meeting. Roll was called on this motion and the members voted as follows: “YEA” McNeely, Harris, Dean Froeschl. “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 February 5, 2026, 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

Gail Froeschl, President