Forest Park Public Library
Board of Trustees Monthly Meeting Minutes
September 21, 2026 at 7:00 PM
Community Room

Opening of Meeting

A. Caitlin McElroy called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm.

B. Roll call: Trustees present: Celes Leonard, Caitlin Hofert, Ian Nosek, Bridgett Rummel and Caitlin McElroy and Katharine Uhrich. Staff present: Vicki Rakowski, Martha Sullivan, Alicia Hammond. Guests present: none.

C. Hofert made a motion to approve the agenda for the September 21, 2026, Board meeting, as submitted. Leonard seconded the motion and it carried.

Leonard	aye	Rummel	aye
Hofert	aye	McElroy	aye
Nosek	aye	Uhrich	aye

D. Discussion of the Treasurer's Report and September 2026 Financial Statement, as submitted. A smaller check run will be issued in between board meetings in order to comply with vendor terms less than net 30 days.

Leonard	aye	Rummel	aye
Hofert	aye	McElroy	aye
Nosek	aye	Uhrich	aye

E. Nosek made a motion to approve the September 21, 2026 Consent Agenda, as submitted. Leonard seconded the motion and it carried.

Leonard	aye	Rummel	aye
Hofert	aye	McElroy	aye
Nosek	aye	Uhrich	aye

F. Public Comment - None

Reports

A. Director's Report: See agenda link for detailed notes. Highlights include reports on various festivals, Summer Reading Program, Voting Registration, Furniture/Office Replacement and Upgrades to ADA website.
B. Board Committee Reports: Finance Committee met on September 10, 2026. See meeting minute link in agenda.
C. Trustee Reports: McElroy and Uhrich discussed the 9/14/26 book club discussion of "Yesteryear by author Caro Claire Burke" at Table and Lain. Positive feedback from participants.
D. Discussion of Library Hours: See agenda for data analysis regarding library hours and usage.
E. Discussion of Local Food Resources. See fppl.org/foodinsecurity for more information.

Unfinished Business
None

New Business

A. Nosek made a motion to approve the Resolution 026-005 To Adopt a Resolution Determining to Impose a .02% Library Building and Maintenance Tax for Tax Year 2026 As Allowed by Law as submitted. Leonard seconded the motion and it carried.

Leonard	aye	Rummel	aye
Hofert	aye	McElroy	aye
Nosek	aye	Uhrich	aye

B. Rummel made a Motion for the Approval of the 2026 Levy Percentage Request, as submitted. Leonard seconded the motion and it carried.

Leonard	aye	Rummel	aye
Hofert	aye	McElroy	aye

Nosek	aye	Uhrich	aye

C. Nosek made a motion to approve the Change in Board Meeting Days for January and February 2027 from the 3rd Monday to 3rd Tuesday, as submitted. Leonard seconded the motion and it carried.

Leonard	aye	Rummel	aye
Hofert	aye	McElroy	aye
Nosek	aye	Uhrich	aye

No Executive Session

The Board of Library Trustees will meet in Executive Session under the exception of the Open Meetings Act ILCS Chapter 5, Act 120/2 (c) Exceptions. " A public body may hold closed meetings to consider the following subjects: Litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular public body has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the public body finds that an action is probable or imminent, in which case the basis for the finding shall be recorded and entered into the minutes of the closed meeting."

Adjournment

McElroy adjourned the meeting at 8:50 p.m. by unanimous consent.

Leonard	aye	Rummel	aye
Hofert	aye	McElroy	aye
Nosek	aye	Uhrich	aye

Respectfully submitted,
Bridgett Rummel, Secretary