

# Chariton Free Public Library

## April 9, 2026

The Chariton Free Public Library Board held its regular monthly meeting in the boardroom on April 9, 2026 pursuant to notice given under the Iowa Open Meetings law. The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m.

Trustees Bisgard, Blake, Fenton, Fredericks, Hunkele, Meyer, Muehlenthaler, Pillsbury-Allen and Sharp were present. Director Murphy was also present.

**The Agenda** was unanimously adopted on a motion from Meyer, seconded by Hunkele.

**Public Forum:** None

Fenton moved and Bisgard seconded for unanimous approval of the **Consent Agenda**.

### **March 12, 2026 Minutes**

**Correspondence** – Thank You to Midwest Heritage Bank for donation of Summer Program rewards

**Grants** – none

The **February 2026 Financial Statements** were reviewed. Blake moved the statements be accepted and placed on file, Fredericks seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

The **April 2026 Claims** were unanimously approved on a motion from Meyer, seconded by Blake.

### **Unfinished Business** –

Muehlenthaler and Meyer met with officers of the Genealogical Society to review the Genealogy Agreement. A draft of changes to the agreement for July 2027 will be provided at next month's meeting.

Muehlenthaler met with Murphy who submitted a response to the Director Evaluation and her goals for 2026. Meyer moved to accept the goals presented. Bisgard seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

### **New Business**

Blake moved to approve the Wood Roofing proposal for this year's roof project. Pillsbury-Allen seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

A new lease for a replacement multifunction machine was tabled until the May meeting. We are waiting on an updated lease document from Access Systems.

### **Reports**

**Building & Grounds:** Blake reported on several meetings he'd had about the landscaping project and provided examples of fencing. After meeting with the City regarding a sign and the flagpole, the Board determined not to erect a sign and not to reinstate the flagpole at this time. Blake also mentioned that any installation of the lamppost charging stations would require a permit from the City. Blake met with Isaac Hirschy about the tentative landscaping plan and will ask Hirschy to present a comprehensive proposal for all aspects of the landscaping project, including subcontracting options, which can be used to determine feasibility and expense.

**Community Relations:** Did not meet.

**Finance & Policy:** Reviewed the Financial Report. Discussed potential funding options for the landscaping project.

**Director's Report:** (attached)

**Board Comments & Continuing Education:** none

**Agenda Items for March:** Access Systems Lease Proposal, Genealogy Society Agreement

**Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 6:48 p.m. on a motion from Meyer, seconded by Fredericks.

Kris Murphy, Library Director