

Chariton Free Public Library

May 14, 2026

The Chariton Free Public Library Board held its regular monthly meeting in the boardroom on May 14, 2026 pursuant to notice given under the Iowa Open Meetings law. The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m.

Trustees Blake, Fenton, Fredericks, Meyer, Muehlenthaler and Sharp were present. Director Murphy and Councilman Storm were also present.

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

Public Forum: None

Meyer moved and Blake seconded for unanimous approval of the **Consent Agenda**.

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Correspondence -

Thank You from Midwest Heritage for use of Meeting Room – Fraud Forum

Letter from patron

Bigard Letter of Resignation from Board, effective 6/30/26

Enrich Iowa Agreement submitted 5/11/2026

Grants – SCICF Lucas County Community Foundation \$10,000 for Roof Project

The **March 2026 Financial Statements** were reviewed. Fenton moved the statements be accepted and placed on file, Sharp seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

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

Unfinished Business – Strategic Plan discussed during Committee Reports

New Business

Meyer moved to approve the Access Systems Multifunction Machine Lease to replace current copier. Blake seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Sharp moved to table the Mainstay Systems Tech Support Contract Renewal until the June meeting. Fredericks seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Reports

Building & Grounds: Blake has continued to solicit estimates for several aspects of the Young Reading Garden project. A quote from CR Environmental was submitted for tree removal. Committee is scheduling a time to meet with Bryce Bintner about the possibility of students completing some of the work in the southeast basement rooms.

Community Relations: Did not meet.

Finance & Policy: Reviewed the Financial Report. Approved tree removal quote.

Director's Report: (attached)

Board Comments & Continuing Education: Dennis Reida was suggested to the mayor as a new trustee.

Agenda Items for March: Mainstay Systems Contract, Genealogy Society Agreement, Tree Removal

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 6:14 p.m. on a motion from Blake, seconded by Meyer.

Kris Murphy, Library Director