

JULY 2025 AGENDA

1. Call to Order – **Monday, July 7, 2025**, at 5:30 p.m. at the Library.
2. Roll Call

_____ Day	_____ Hinshaw	_____ Russell
_____ Escorcia	_____ Painter	_____ Titus
_____ Gullberg		
3. Minutes of June 2nd meeting.
4. Financial Report for June.
5. Circulation for June.
6. Preliminary Annual Budget & Appropriations Ordinance 25-3 for FY25-26.
 - 6-19-25 – Bell emailed the Public Hearing Notice to the Quill for the June 25th Issue. The hearing will be held at the August 4, 2025 meeting.
7. Per Capita Grant Award
 - On 6-27-25 received the Award letter from Jesse White, Secretary of State for the FY2025 Illinois Public Library Per Capita Grant in the amount of \$9,426.73. Over \$18 million is being awarded this year to Illinois libraries. With that in mind, libraries have until June 30, 2026 to expend the FY2025 grant funds. The FY2025 expenditures report must be submitted with the FY2027 application, due January 30, 2027.
8. Library Projects
 - Landscaping
 - Meeting Room Cabinets
9. Hoopla
10. The annual Audit report with West Central CPA, Monmouth, IL is scheduled to be returned by December.
11. Galesburg Community Foundation Turnout Grant
12. WCMS
13. Henderson County Health Department Training
14. Policies – Budget and Financial Practices, and General Operations Policy
15. Conferences
 - ARSL – The Annual Conference is in Albuquerque, NM September 17th – 20th, 2025.
 - ILA – The Annual Conference is in Rosemont, IL on October 14th – 16th, 2025.

16. Personal Property Replacement Tax –

- Distributions are made in Jan., March, April, May, July, Aug., Oct., and Dec.
- For those that don't know, Personal property replacement taxes (PPRT) are revenues collected by the state of Illinois and paid to local governments to replace money that was lost by local governments when their powers to impose personal property taxes on corporations, partnerships, and other business entities were taken away.
- Only taxing districts that collected and received personal property taxes for the 1976 tax year for Cook County or 1977 tax year for the remainder of the state are eligible to receive PPRT payments. Taxing districts that were created after 1977 are not eligible to receive PPRT money since they did not experience a loss in revenue.

17. Summer Reading

- 06-3-25 – Summer Reading Kickoff – We have the ROE attend and give out popsicles, Absolute Science came and did a foam cannon, due to the weather we had to cut it short and they are rescheduled to come back out on July 15th.
- 06-04-25 – Jennifer from RSA came and did an Item Group Editor training for WorkFlows with Cassiday, Tee, and Lambert in the meeting room.
- 06-05-25 – Director Lambert attended an RSA Board meeting at Carlock PLD.
- 06-17-25 – ROE came and did an “Art in the Park” program with the kids, they painted with odd objects and make bubble snakes.
- 06-18-25 – Director Lambert attended a zoom about Census Data for Community Planning and Research.
- 06-18-25 – Director Lambert attended a zoom about Sustaining a Seed Library.
- 06-20-25 – Director Lambert attended Rural Director's at Lillie M. Evans PL.
- 06-21-25 – Tee attended the Oakwood Health Fair with the Bookmobile.
- 06-24-25 – Stepping Stones was held and we had 131 in attendance.
- 06-24-25 – Storytime Around the World: Jamaica for Caribbean-Heritage Month. Kids read books about Jamaica and made bracelets.
- 06-26-25 – Illinois Attorney General Office came and did a presentation on Identity Theft. We had 1 in attendance.
- 06-30-25 – We have 158 registered.
- 06-30-25 – 117 have met their first level reading goal
- 06-30-25 – 122,700 pages read
- 07-01-25 – The Author and Illustrator of the Norma Jean children's book came and read to the older kids.
- 07-10-25 – Tie-dye T-Shirts will be from 12pm-6pm.
- 07-26-25 – Outdoor Summer Reading party will be from 10:00am-noon. I will need 4 board members to work the lunch
- Tee, Baker, and Lambert are doing Mad Scientist for Hope Haven on July 16th.

Next meeting is August 4, 2025, at 5:30 p.m.