

SEPTEMBER 2025 AGENDA

1. Call to Order – **Monday, September 8, 2025**, at 5:00 p.m. at the Library.
2. Roll Call

_____ Day	_____ Gullberg	_____ Russell
_____ Escorcia	_____ Hinshaw	_____ Titus
	_____ Painter	
3. Public Comments
4. Tax Levy Ordinance Number 25-4 – increase the proposed corporate and special purpose property taxes to be levied for FY2025 are \$361,320.00. This represents a 3.01% increase over the previous year. Vote.
5. Minutes of the August 4th meeting
6. Tax Levy - received the 2nd installment 8-27-25 for \$60,383.08
7. Financial Report for August.
8. Circulation for August.
9. CD 25728 at Bank of Stronghurst renewal date is 9-06-25. Tee has rates from area banks, to vote on.
10. Library Projects
 - Building Storage Closet
 - Simpson Cleaning
 - Library Logo
11. Policies
 - Authority to Spend
 - Disposal of Surplus Library Materials
12. West Central School District
 - We will be doing the Escape room with the entire middle school on in January this year. Thursday, January 29th and Friday, January 30th.
13. IPLAR – Director Lambert submitted the IPLAR electronically online on 8-14-25. The annual report is due on or before Sept. 1, 2025.
14. ILLINET Interlibrary Loan Yearly Survey – This survey is to analyze the interlibrary loan and reciprocal borrowing statistical data. Brenda filed the survey on 8-12-25.
15. 1000 Books Before Kindergarten Party
 - Held Saturday August 9, 2025, for 4 children, with a total of 10 in attendance.

- The children made their own book titled “I Wish that I had 1000...”, we had pictures cut out of magazines for them to choose to glue into their book
- We served snacks then the kids played with chalk and bubbles outside and each child got their picture taken.

16. Outreach –

- 9-20-25 – Stronghurst Fall Festival at the Park – Tee and Bell will set up tables from 9-1. Anyone on the board is welcome to help or just stop by and see us, we will have a prize wheel, books from the book sale and t-shirts to sell.

17. Other-

- 8-07-25 – Cherry Simmons held a painting class in the meeting room from 6pm-8pm. We had 18 in attendance.
- 8-11-25 – Cassiday and Lambert changed the flags out front.
- 8-12-25 – Storytime Around the World: England. The kids learned about England, older kids colored flags, everyone got to make a crown. We had 29 in attendance.
- 8-13-25 – Lambert, Tee, and Baker held Mad Scientist for some residents at Hope Haven we had 25 in attendance.
- 8-15-25 – Director Lambert attended Rural Directors at Alpha Park PLD; Phil Lenzini was there to answer legal questions.
- 8-15-25 – Brian Johnson was here and got the northwest outside spigot working.
- 8-19-25 – McKayla Eaton from the ROE came and did an Art Experience during Storytime, the kids made playdough, and each family left with a copy of “How Do Dinosaurs Learn Their Colors?” By Jane Yolen. We had 27 in attendance.
- 8/25-8/30-25 – RAILS -Online Delivery count form each day. All RAILS member libraries are required to count all outgoing items being picked up for delivery.
- 8-23-25 – Beth Chatterton from 4-H held a Babysitting 101 class at the library and we have four girls sign up and attend.
- 8-27-25 – Baker, Lambert, and Tee attended a webinar about Libby updates on zoom.
- 8-28-25 – All interior/exterior windows were cleaned by Superior Shine out of Burlington, we will get on an annual maintenance schedule with them.
- **Our Annual Book Sale will be a lot smaller this year, we will promote it but it will just consist of the books on the walls from September 22 – Saturday September 29 open to the public during all library hours and held in the meeting room.**
- Will be starting an adult reading program. “Fall into Reading” to start Monday, August 25 – Friday, October 3. We will have a craft available on September 11th for adults, it will be a recycled book stack, available at 11am and 5:30pm for those that do and don’t work.
- 9-01-25 – Library was closed for Labor Day
- 9-03-25 – Baker, Lambert, and Tee did the Mad Scientist program at Oaklane with the residents.

Next meeting is October 6, 2025, at 5:00 p.m.