

**Brooklyn Public Library Board Meeting**  
**May 4, 2026 at 5pm**

**Call to Order**

The regular meeting of the Brooklyn Public Library was held Monday, May 4, 2026 at 5p.m. Those present were President Matt Maschmann, Secretary Beth Meldrem, Treasurer Jamie McClenathan (via phone), Board Members- Mary Jo Collum, Chris Hurst, Bob Lacina (via phone) and Library Director Josh Gerard. Absent: Sherry Korn-Johnson

President Matt Maschmann called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m. Minutes were read. Motion by Mary Jo; 2nd by Chris to approve the April 6, 2026 minutes. All Ayes. Motion carried

**Treasurer's Report**

First State Bank Checking - \$ 500.00  
Building & Maintenance Fund - \$3,235.09  
First State Bank CDs - \$25,198.40

Brooklyn Municipal Utilities	\$600.00
Brooklyn Telecommunications	\$77.99
Amazon- books	\$1,246.52
Amazon-tech kid/software	\$8.55
Half Price Books	\$664.59
Midwest Computer Recovery	\$214.00
Payroll	\$4,317.62
1st State Bank	\$695.00
IPERS	\$541.86
Treasurer State of Iowa	\$43.00
Wellmark	\$643.08

Motion by Beth; 2nd by Mary Jo to approve the above claims. All Ayes. Motion carried.

**Unfinished Business - none**  
**New Business**

Personnel Policy Review - Motion by Bob; 2nd by Jamie to approve the updated personnel policy with the edits Josh made. All Ayes. Motion carried.

July's meeting will be held on Wednesday, July 1 at 5 p.m. instead of Monday, July 6.

**Library Director's Report**

Regional Supervisor Becky Heil is retiring. Changes will be effective in mid-May.

Field trips have begun and BGM students are enjoying time at the Library.

A new season of Tournament Tuesday has been fully sponsored by Brooklyn Fabrics. The donation will cover snacks, drinks and prizes. The tournament starts tomorrow (Tuesday, May 5) and will run through the end of July.

Prairie Ridge presented topics covering NarCan and addiction recently. They will be offering presentations on May 15 and May 22. Please attend if you can, these are free and open to the public.

Summer Reading Registration is from May 4-30. Please watch for this year's awesome prizes

Library staff thanks *Friends of the Library* for their gifts of appreciation.

The next board meeting will be on Monday, June 1, 2026 at 5 p.m. Motion by Bob; 2nd by Chris to adjourn at 5:16 p.m.