

Perry Public Library
Board of Trustees
Budget Hearing
May 22, 2024

Attendance: Barb Glenn, Jessica DeMarte (Director), David Shearing, Bethany Zerbe (Vice-President), Virginia Winter, Lorie Ames

Excused absent: Stacey Muolo, Sandy Lawrence

Vice President Bethany Zerbe called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM with the Pledge to the Flag.

Director DeMarte presented the Budget for 2025. She included programming both in-person and on-line that the Library plans to increase. Grants received in 2023-2024 were explained. The challenges of maintaining an historic building were examined, including the necessity for a new boiler. New laws concerning minimum wages and state fees were also part of this presentation. The amount of \$300,000 for the budget year 2025 is to be voted on by the public on Tuesday June 4, 2024. Three trustee positions will also be on the ballot that day.

Public comment: Eleanor Jacobs asked if there is a plan in place since the Library did not receive DRI funding for expansion.

David Shearing made a motion to adjourn at 7:22 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Barb Glenn, Secretary