

**MINUTES OF MEETING
BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE TOWN HALL LIBRARY
TOWN OF MERTON, NORTH LAKE, WISCONSIN**

MAY 18, 2026

- I. Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 3:45 pm by Vice President Stover. Also attending were Trustees Boettcher, Cull, Dolphin, Fleming, Haas, Mesenbrink, Rogers Blum, and Library Director Iyengar.
- II. Public Input:** None.
- III. Consent Agenda:**
- a. Minutes of the April 20, 2026 meeting were unanimously approved on Motion by Stover, seconded by Dolphin.
 - b. The Statistics report was accepted as presented.
- IV. Committee Reports:**
- i. Director's Report:
 - The library's 60th Anniversary celebrations were very successful, with attendees from past and present staff, board members, Friends and patrons.
 - She complimented the staff for the many interesting and innovative program offerings they have developed.
 - The Summer Reading Program kickoff event will be June 6.
 - Garden care continues to be needed; she will contact the Waukesha County Master Gardeners for assistance.
 - The Town building inspector has approved the front door replacement and concrete repair project.
 - The proposed standards have passed the statutory requirement and are expected to pass the County Board at the end of the month.
 - ii. Bridges Library System:
The reports were accepted as presented.
 - iii. Friends Liaison:
Dolphin said the Friends Annual Meeting, dinner and silent auction on May 21 will be well attended, and thanked the board for their support. The Friends will ask their members for help with gardening, and they hope to attract more board members
 - iv. Foundation Liaison:
No report.
 - v. Town Board Liaison:
No report.
 - vi. School Board Liaison
No report.
- V. Financial Reports:**
- a. April, 2026 invoices for \$74,246.92 were unanimously approved on Motion by Boettcher, seconded by Rogers Blum.
 - b. April, 2026 petty cash report for \$44.00 was approved unanimously on Motion by Rogers Blum, seconded by Mesenbrink.
- VI. Unfinished Business:**
None

VII. New Business:

- a. Short term investing of funds was discussed. The board asked Iyengar to determine if statutes would allow library funds to be deposited in money market funds or other short-term investments to maximize income until the funds are needed.
- b. Motion by Boettcher, seconded by Dolphin to approve Library Service Effort Ratio standards. Motion carried unanimously.
- c. Discussion held regarding inclusion of library promotions in the annual Town tax bill mailing. The Clerk has quoted a price of \$1,140. Fleming will research possibilities and report back, and Iyengar will prepare a presentation to the Town board.

VIII. Adjournment:

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:57 pm on Motion by Fleming, seconded by Dolphin and unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary L. Rogers Blum
Secretary

Next Meeting: Regular Library Board of Trustees
June 15, 2026 at the Town Hall Library at 3:45 pm