

WARREN PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMISSION

REGULAR MEETING

WARREN CIVIC CENTER LIBRARY – MARK TWAIN ROOM

1 CITY SQUARE SUITE 100

WARREN, MI 48093

November 20, 2025

6:00pm

1. **Call to Order:** Meeting was called to order at 6:20 p.m. by Natalie Piernak.
2. **Roll Call:**
Commissioners Present: Annette Majka, Zosia Ladak, and William Rudd.
Also Attending: J. Garos, Human Resource Director, C. Murphy, City of Warren Attorney
Absent: L. Barnwell, E. Howard, D. McIntosh; Majka motioned to excuse their absences, supported by Ladak. Motion carried.
3. **Approval of Agenda:** Majka motioned to approve the agenda, supported by Ladak. The motion carried.
4. **Approval of Minutes:**
 - a. **Regular Meeting September 18, 2025**
 - i. Rudd motioned to approve the 9/18/25 minutes, supported by Majka. The motion carried.
 - b. **Special Meeting October 2, 2025**
 - i. Ladak motioned to approve the 10/2/25 minutes, supported by Majka. The motion carried.
 - c. **Special Meeting October 23, 2025**
 - i. Ladak motioned to approve the 10/23/25 minutes, supported by Majka. The motion carried.
5. **Financial Reports:** O. Urban reported on the financial state of the Warren Public Library Branches.
6. **Director's Report:**
 - a. Unique Management: Still successfully recovering materials for the library system.
 - b. Branch Updates: Looking to provide additional shelving in the Busch branch. Taking out computers to accommodate this need. Burnette will have security coverage. Miller is still working on their library of things collection. A

belligerent patron was trespassed. 12-12-25 there will be an in-service for library staff to learn how to repair books.

- c. Current Projects: State aid was completed. Discussed having office assistant position reclassified. Found piano player for special collections room in Civic. Installed electric hand dryers.
 - d. Services: Received checks.
 - e. Staffing: Two new pages, and one branch librarian substitute.
 - f. Marketing/Outreach: Nothing new to report.
 - g. Discussion items: The public would like to reopen the Civic branch on Sundays. Discussion was had, no motions made at this time; tabled for next regular meeting.
7. **Audience Participation:** Branch manager for Burnette Library mentioned opening library earlier for Director candidate interviews the next night. A resident expressed concern over use of Unique Management. Expressed desire for an update on the new library progress as well as the at-home program's status.
8. **Action Items:** N/A
9. **Friends of the Warren Public Library:** Majka reported the hours the Friends would be open due to the holidays.
10. **S. L. C. Report:** Reported on the status of hiring new S. L. C. Director. Interviews tentatively set for February.
11. **Commissioner's Comments:** Majka expressed desire to have everything settled before the new year. Newnan thought the notes on the conferences in the agenda packet were interesting.
12. **Next Meeting Date** – January 15, 2026
13. **Adjournment:** Ladak motioned to adjourn the meeting, supported by Rudd. The motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:07 p.m.