

**City of Brawley  
Library Board of Trustees  
Minutes May 8, 2025**

The Library Board of Trustees of the City of Brawley met in regular session on May 8, 2025 in the Park Meeting Room at Noon. The Library Director attests to the posting of the Agenda pursuant to the California Government Code 54956.

Board President Lohr called the meeting to order at 12:01 P.M.

**Roll Call:**

Present: Grant, Harvie, Lohr, Lorenzen, Pendley, Ortega, Monita. Asst City Manager Fried was also in attendance

**1. Approval of the Agenda**

\_\_\_The Agenda was approved. m/s/c. Lorenzen/Pendley

**2. Public Appearances**

Debbie Fargo questioned if Zipbooks are still available? They are until the state grant expires. She also questioned the library's hours and wanted more ebooks available on Libby

**3. Consent Agenda.**

The Consent Agenda which includes the 4/10/2025 Minutes and Accounts Payable 4/01/25-5/06/25 was approved with one question; Board member Lorenzen asked why we're still paying rent for a storage unit. Director Ortega said the old doors were in it. The Board had previously recommended to get rid of the doors They are being dumped m/s/c. Lorenzen/Pendley.

**4. Librarian's Report**

- \* The Main Branch continues to have more visitors than the Branch
- \*. The City has established a Flex Time policy for full time employees and the hours for Friday and Saturday will change.  
Friday 9-12  
Saturday 9-1
- \*The indoor camera upgrade has been completed. There is now full coverage monitoring the library interior
- \* Replacing the light fixtures should be completed by the third week in

May

- \* Nicklaus Engineering has begun the HVAC/Window Replacement project.
- \* There is a job opening for a Literacy Assistant
- \* Summer reading will begin the end of June  
The theme will be Level Up from DUNGEONS and Dragons
- \* Questions were answered about what type of donations the Library can accept

#### 5. **Board Member Reports**

Lohr: Recommended **The Eyes of the Impossible** by Dave Eggers for the collection

Grant: Gave the library a copy of Trisha Flemming's new book and said the author would be willing to come and read it during a story time. She also asked when notices of Library activities would begin to appear in The Desert Review. She said she would miss the June meeting

Harvie: She had some questions about the level of the learners in the Adult Literacy class. She also asked for clarification about the Auschwitz art activity for Holocaust Remembrance Day. She suggested that the Board members could be emailed a copy of the monthly calendar each month.

#### 6. **City Liaison Report**

Councilman Monita brought the Board up to date on different city projects. He did say progress is being made with the pool

#### 7. **Assistant City Manager**

Mr Fried will be the department head for the Library. Welcome

There was no further business The next meeting will be June 12, 2025 at 12:00 P.M.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:10 P.M.

Respectfully submitted

Judy Grant, Recording Secretary