

Linwood Community Library Board of Trustees
Annual Budget Hearing Minutes: August 19, 2025

Board members present: Melissia Smitka, Kathy Reno, Chris Mensch, Aly Evans, Sheldon Wheaton

Staff present: Dennis Shelton

Guests: none

Call to Order: 7:00pm - The meeting was called to order by Melissia Smitka.

Old Business:

A formatting error was identified on the minutes from the August 19, 2024 Budget Hearing meeting. The minutes will be corrected and presented for approval at the August 26, 2025 regular board meeting.

New Business:

- Evidence was presented showing that the Notice of Budget Hearing was published in the Tonganoxie Mirror on July 30, 2025.
- Proposed 2026 budget was reviewed, and Chris made a motion to approve, and Aly seconded. A roll call vote was performed with results as follows:

◦ Melissia Smitka	Yes
◦ Aly Evans	Yes
◦ Sheldon Wheaton	Yes
◦ Kathy Reno	Yes
◦ Chris Mensch	Yes

The vote was 5 to 0 in favor to accept the proposed 2026 budget.

Adjournment:

Sheldon made a motion to adjourn, Aly seconded, and the vote was in favor. The meeting concluded at 7:20pm.

Submitted by: Chris Mensch; Secretary

Board of Trustees members (exp. date)

Melissia Smitka, Chairperson (03/2029)
Aly Evans, Vice-Chair (03/2028)
Sheldon Wheaton, Treasurer (03/2027)
Kathy Reno (03/2026)
Chris Mensch, Secretary (03/2029)
Open Position (03/2026)
Open Position (03/2027)

Linwood Community Library Staff

Dennis Shelton, Director
Nicole Oelschlaeger, Library Services
Amy Rosewicz, Collections
Susie Henneke, Adult Programming
Clara Nipp, Youth Services
Tracy Tygart, Bookkeeper

Linwood Community Library Board Committees

Building & Equipment:	Sheldon Wheaton		
Personnel & Policy:	Melissia Smitka	Kathy Reno	Chris Mensch
Finance:	Sheldon Wheaton	Aly Evans	

Officer and Committee appointments updated January 28, 2025
Library Staff updated August 19, 2025

The signatures below affirm that these minutes have been approved by the board of trustees.

 8-26-25
Melissia Smitka, Chairperson Date

 8-26-25
Chris Mensch, Secretary Date