MORTON PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT November 19, 2025

ROLL CALL

The Morton Public Library District Board meeting was called to order at 4:33 pm. Director Williams and board members Turner, Hilliard, Gryl, Ropp, Mousty and Thompson were present. Riesberg was absent.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

MINUTES

The minutes from the October 22, 2025 Board Meeting were approved as submitted. The minutes from the October 22, 2025 Closed Session were reviewed in the meeting, and approved as presented.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Gryl reported that Better Banks CD 7645 is coming due. She will look for the best rates available but noted that interest rates were dropping. The board reviewed the first quarter Revenue and Expenditure Summary. Williams noted that one furnace recently went out, and others are at the end of their expected lifespan. She will begin the process of pricing out replacements.

The board reviewed the November bills. Ropp moved and Gryl seconded that the November bills be paid. A roll call vote was held. The motion carried unanimously.

Gryl moved and Hilliard seconded that \$33,771 representing an increase in net position following the audit be transferred to Special Reserves. The motion carried unanimously.

November 2025	
Invoices Paid	\$39,158.14
Ameren Illinois	350.58
I3 Broadband	389.43
Morton Utilities	231.84
Total Bills:	\$40,129.99
Director	7,620.64
Staff	42,720.89
Payroll Total:	\$ 50,341.53
Employer IMRF	\$4,889.23
Employer FICA	\$3,851.16

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Director Williams presented a review of ILA Legislative Priorities. She also noted that recent conversations with certain community members indicate that a partnership or collaboration towards a building expansion is unlikely.

NEW BUSINESS

Williams and Gryl have both read the annual audit and recommend its approval. Turner moved and Ropp seconded to approve the audit. The motion carried unanimously.

The board reviewed in depth the new Illinois Public Library Standards and the Action Plan completed by Director Williams. The library currently meets the core standards in most categories and frequently rises to the level of intermediate or advanced level. The board discussed strategies to continue or increase the library's performance on meeting and exceeding these standards.

The board completed their annual walk-through of the library building.

OTHER BUSINESS

Gryl announced her intention to resign from the board. Mousty indicated that he is willing to assume the role of Treasurer.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Heather W. Thompson, Secretary

The next meeting will be held Wednesday, December 17, 2025 at 4:30 pm.