

Walled Lake City Library Board Minutes for March 20, 2026

In attendance: B. Garbutt, President; M. Langan, Vice-President; V. Owsinek, Trustee; M. Pawl, Trustee; M. Schwartz, Secretary; C. Ralston, Library Director

Call to Order: 9:00am

Approval of previous meeting minutes: February 20, 2026: M. Langan moved, V. Owsinek seconded. All approved.

Update from Friends of Library: Saturday April 18th is donation day from 10:00am – 2:00pm for Friends of the Library Book Sale.

Financial Report:

- Used 52.62% of Budget
- 66.58% of the way through the Fiscal Year
- Monthly Checks: \$16,773.85
- Monthly Expenditures: \$33,703.85

Directors report:

- Celebrate America 250
- Unearth a Story! Summer Reading
- City Budget Session is on Saturday, April 11 at 9:00am.

Statistics:

- 1681 Visitors/Pickups to the Library
 - With 18 new library patrons
- 5823 circulations
- Library added 301 new items
- Library held 28 programs with 161 attendees
- Craft Kits and Scavenger Hunt went well.

Old Business:

- Space Study with Library Design Associates: V. Owsinek moved to approve the contract, M. Langan seconded. All approved. Cost has been added to budget for 2026/2027

New Business:

- Discussion of the budget for FY 2026-2027: M. Langan moved to accept the budget as presented by the Library Director, M. Pawl seconded. All approved.

Executive Session:

- Motion to go into Executive Session for discussion of Staff Evaluations at 10:04am, moved by M. Langan, seconded by M. Pawl. All approved.
- Motion to come out of Executive Session at 10:16am by M. Langan, seconded by V. Owsinek. All approved.

Upcoming:

- We are planning Summer Reading 2026
 - Unearth a Story! (Dinosaur Theme)
 - Kickoff Party - Tuesday, June 16
 - Oakland County Parks, Musicians, Face Painting, etc.
 - Dinosaur costumes are coming!
- Celebrate America 250:
 - Scott Bodolosky will present on the history of the US titled "Rebuilding Liberty"
 - June 23, 30, July 7, 14
 - Cookbook Club - Cooking from "Smithsonian American Table" and "A Taste of History"
 - The Henry Ford Museum History Program

Next meeting: Friday, April 17, 2026

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn from B. Garbutt at 10:25 AM, second by M. Schwartz, all approved