

PINCKNEY COMMUNITY PUBLIC LIBRARY HYBRID BOARD MEETING
SEPTEMBER 17, 2026
9:30 AM
HYBRID REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Present: Shelly Wagnitz, Acting President; Kate Robertson, Board Treasurer; Patti Nicholson, Board Secretary; Judy Wismont, Trustee; Emily Cogswell, Trustee; Hope Siasoco, Director; Sara Castle, Youth Librarian/Assistant Director; Marcia Spicer, Staff Liason

President's Announcement regarding Public Comment Section

PUBLIC COMMENT

Note: Public Comment for this hybrid meeting is made available in advance of the meeting through this publicly available Google Document: <https://forms.gle/JbZBfHEmfhJqgp8R7> or email: hsiasoco@pinckneylibrary.org or during the time of the meeting.

SPECIAL ISSUE REGARDING PINCKNEY LIBRARY MILLAGES

- Truth in Taxation Roll Call Vote: Truth in Taxation—The Pinckney Community Public Library held a public hearing on Thursday, September 17, 2026 at 9:35 am for the purpose of receiving comments on the 2026 library millage rate of 1.3776 mills and another one for .5651 mills.
- The 2026 tax rate request passed in August 2020 and to be collected in December 2026, is computed at 1.3776 mills, which includes a Headlee Millage Reduction Fraction of .9915, and is due to expire in 2026. The purpose of this millage is to support the operations of the current library facility. A second millage tax rate request, passed in February 2011 and will be collected in December 2026, is computed at .5651 mills, which includes a Headlee Millage Reduction Fraction of .9915 and is due to expire in 2040. This millage is to support the operation of the current library and for debt reduction. Shelly Wagnitz makes a motion to adopt the millage rate to be used in 2026 as read; Judy Wismont seconds the motion.

Roll call votes:

- Shelly Wagnitz votes aye
- Kate Robertson votes aye
- Patti Nicholson votes aye
- Judy Wismont votes aye
- Emily Cogswell votes aye
- All present voted to approve. Motion passed

- 2026 Tax Rate Request from Livingston County (L-4029)
- The 2026 request will be signed, dated, filed, and will be submitted to the Putnam Township Clerk and the Livingston County Clerk and Equalization Department before the deadline. The 2026 new tax rate request for operations millage is computed at 1.3776 and is due to expire in 2026, and a second millage tax rate request is computed at .5651 and is due to expire in 2040. Patti Nicholson makes a motion to approve the request. Emily Cogswell seconds the motion.

Roll Call votes:

- Shelly Wagnitz votes aye
- Kate Robertson votes aye
- Patti Nicholson votes aye
- Judy Wismont votes aye
- Emily Cogswell votes aye
- All present voted to approve. Motion passed.

Patti Nicholson, Secretary, and Shelly Wagnitz, Acting President, will sign the form. The report is on file at the library. Hope will send the signed form to the Livingston County Equalization Office, the Livingston County Clerk's Office, and the Putnam Township Clerk's Office before the filing deadline.

CONSENT AGENDA

- **CORRECTION/ADDITIONS TO AGENDA** - Include building maintenance backflow inspection and upcoming partnership with UofM student clinic under Library Report. Add date of Aging Parent's Resource Forum of Sept 29 to agenda.
- **READING OF MINUTES FROM AUGUST 20, 2026 BOARD MEETING AND AUGUST 27, 2026 SPECIAL BOARD MEETING**
- **PRESENTATION OF BILLS:**
 - September 2026 Bills for Review

Judy Wismont moves to accept the consent agenda as presented. Emily Cogswell seconded the motion. All approved and motion carried.

SPECIAL ISSUES

- Welcome New Board Member - Emily Cogswell was appointed to fulfill the remaining term of Kate Pratt at the Putnam Township Board meeting last night, Wednesday, September 16. Shelly motioned to move the annual meeting from Dec 17th to Dec 10th at 9 am to better fit all board members' schedules. Judy Wismont seconded the motion. All approved and motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

- UPDATE: Wilson Foundation Grant - Round 2
 - Grant Application Period - September 21, 2026 - November 20, 2026. Hope expects to submit a grant for a space planning study to better meet our community needs by the first part of October. She is currently collecting letters of support and organizing the submittal documents.

NEW BUSINESS:

Reports:

- Library Progress Report
 - New Library Page: Samantha Zilka
 - Building Maintenance—water backflow inspection. State mandates a third-party water backflow inspection annually now.
 - Upcoming partnership with U of M Student Clinic to host the Mobile Mammography Clinic starting in October.
 - U of M has a mobile mammography van that is too large to comfortably park on the street in downtown. The clinic requests use of our parking lot to safely park the van for 3 to 4 times annually. More details will be gathered when Hope meets with the students later today. Judy Wismont motioned to approve the U of M Mobile Mamography Van from the U of M Student Clinic to use our parking lot during the dates of the mamography clinic hours. Shelly Wagnitz seconded. All approved and motion carried.
 - Highlights from Library of Michigan Directors Meeting Notes – September 11, 2026 Meeting
 - Law -- Reminder of monthly Library Law Office Hours with Clare Membiela every third Thursday of the month; Voting by Mail litigation; First Amendment Audit InfoSheet; and Changes to Work Permit Process starting October 1, 2026 (YESA Law).
 - Q&A: 1. Are library donations tax deductible & Are Waivers Necessary for Children Attending Program/Events at the Library
 - Foster Swift Collins & Smith "Critical employment law updates before 2027" on Wednesday, October 14, 2026 at 12pm - 12:30pm--Library Business Operations Assistant, Stephanie Hall, will be attending. Emily Cogswell and Judy Wismont will find out if they can join as well.
 - 2026 Summer Reading Program Statistics – for Youth and Adults -- program attendance and participation went very well this year, for both Youth and Adults. Tyra Scmitter's re-organizing how prizes were given out helped to double the amount of participation from adults in this year's Adult Summer Reading Program.
 - Pinckney Library Table during 2026 Aging Parents Resource Fair at 242 Church on Tuesday, September 29 from 3 to 7pm.
 - Partnership with PCYDI for Tutoring Sessions at the Pinckney Library Board Room on Tuesdays from 3pm-6pm (September 29 - December 23) and Wednesdays from 4:30pm - 7:30pm (September 30 - December 24)
 - Update on Library Events:
 - Drop In Tech Help - Thursdays from 1pm - 4pm

Baby Time Storytime on Mondays at 10am - weekly
 Family Story Time on Tuesdays at 11am – weekly
 Crafty Chix Knitting Group on Thursdays at 12pm-2pm
 Monday Kids Knit & Crochet—3pm-5pm weekly (Hiatus on Labor Day--September 7)
 Homeschoolers Make & Meet -- Thursday, September 17, 2026 at 1pm - 2pm
 2026 Fall Puzzle Swap & Sale -- Saturday, September 19, 2026 at 11am - 12pm (11am-11:30am - Swap; 11:30am - 12:00pm - Sale: \$1=1puzzle)
 2026 Speed Puzzling -- Saturday, September 19, 2026 at 1pm - 3pm (first time program)
 Off the Shelf Book Discussion on Tuesday, September 22, 2026 at 6:30-7:30pm - September Book *Great Big Beautiful Life* by Emily Henry
 Paranormal Investigation at the Pinckney Library with Flyer Paranormal, LLC - Wednesday, September 23, 2026 at 6:30pm (Hybrid Presentation--available In Person and Online via Zoom)
 Family Bingo Night -- Thursday, September 24, 2026 at 6:30pm - 7:30pm (Registration Required)
 September 21 - 30 – Registration for Autumn Puzzle Palooza on Saturday, October 3rd
 Autumn 2026 Puzzle Palooza Contest -- Saturday, October 3rd at 10am - 2pm (teams of 3-4 puzzlers working to finish 1000-piece-puzzles)

- Friends Group Report -- no September Friends Meeting as that meeting hasn't happened yet and Friends Group didn't meet in August.
 Friends Meeting -- Thursday, September 17 at 6:30pm
 September 2025 Book Sale—Saturday, September 19 from 10am-2pm (Friends will use both the West Side of the Building and Program Room 1)

Financial Reports:

- Accountant's Report -- reviewed and on file
 - General Ledger Reports for General Fund and Debt Fund - August 2026
 - Journal Report for General Fund and Debt - August 2026
- Treasurer's Report -- reviewed and on file
 - Kate Robertson stated that the CD maturing at the end of this month will be rolled into the checking account to cover end of year expenses.

Issues:

NEW AND ONGOING BOARD ISSUES

- 2026 Fundraiser Subcommittee Update. Will be meeting Tuesday, September 22nd at 2:30 pm. Date, time and scope of end of year event to be discussed. Goal is to welcome the community to the library and to raise funds for the library.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Katie Beemer briefly joined the zoom call to test if zoom attendees can send messages and/or unmute for public comment as there were multiple attendees. The functionality of public comment via zoom was appropriate. No other public comment.

ADJOURNMENT at 10:27 am.

Kate Robertson motioned to adjourn at 10:27 am. Judy Wismont seconded the motion. All approved and motion passed.

Respectfully submitted by Patti Nicholson, Board Secretary