



Minutes of the September 3, 2026 Idaho Falls Public Library Board of Trustees Meeting

Meeting was called to order at 4:03 pm by Rodd Rapp. Trustees present included Mary Lund, Kristen Hall, Roger Chunn, Rodd Rapp with Claire Pace arriving after the approval of the consent agenda.

The consent agenda was reviewed and approved unanimously

Staff Reports from the Children's Library, Teen/Adult Library, Community Engagement, Technology, Admin and Technical Services were all reviewed.

A presentation was made concerning the proposal to build an underground parking lot on the Broadway Side of Library. This was a clarifying presentation of an earlier proposal. The proposal had been adjusted to have the library convey ownership of almost one-third of the property between the library building and Broadway Street to the owners of the building previously known as the Ferrell's Building. The parking structure would require raising the front lawn of the library by six feet, thus making the library unable to be seen from the street. In exchange the owners of that property would develop an underground parking lot to be used by the tenants of their building and some being available for public parking. Trustees did not approve of the concept and felt that the proposal was not in the best interest of the library. The owners then asked if the Trustees would still be in favor of tenants of their building using part of the exit for the drive through to enter their underground parking structure. Trustees responded they would need more information before making a decision. Mary Lund made a motion, seconded by Kristen Hall to authorize Rodd Rapp to write a letter to the Mayor and Council expressing that the trustees were not in favor of the proposal. Motion carried unanimously.

The Patron Code of Conduct policy was reviewed with trustees requesting it be placed on the next meeting agenda for further discussion.

The next meeting was set for October 8, 2026 at 4:00 pm

At 5:05 the board moved to executive session with Rodd Rapp making the motion and Mary Lund seconded. A roll call vote was then taken with all trustees in favor of the motion. Trustees returned from executive session at 5:15 pm and the meeting adjourned.