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Jill Bock  
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Marinda Thornbrough  
Vice President

Cherie Rone  
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Member

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Member

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***Library Director***

Lori Robinson

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE NEW MADRID COUNTY  
LIBRARY TRUSTEES**

**SEPTEMBER 18, 2025 2:00 P.M.**

**AT THE NEW MADRID COUNTY LIBRARY PORTAGEVILLE BRANCH**

1. Meeting called to order by President, Jill Bock

2. Roll call

Present—Jill Bock, Joe Brashears, Cherie Rone, Marinda Thornbrough, Brenda Tillman

Absent—none

Also present—Lori Robinson, Director

3. August 21, 2025 meeting was cancelled due to lack of a quorum. Minutes of the July 2025 meeting and the September 2025 Agenda were presented. Motion to approve the July 2025 Minutes and the September 2025 Agenda as amended was made by Marinda Thornbrough; second by Brenda Tillman. Motion unanimously carried.

4. Revenue and expense reports for August-September 2025 were presented. Motion to approve the revenue and expense reports for August-September 2025 was made by Cherie Rone; second by Mirinda Thornbrough. Motion unanimously carried.

5. Director's Report

Received the annual donation from Ms. Mary Ferguson of \$1500. We will use the funds to purchase items for a “Seed Garden” in the Spring of 2026.

Carpets at the Portageville branch will be cleaned on 9-27; inventory lists will be completed by 9-19 and Lori will call Mark Gibbins to discuss insurance coverage: Alison's office floor has been replaced and outside repair work completed.

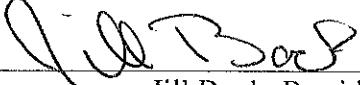
The library received a grant from MLA for 2026. The grant was written by Alison Whitten for computer and printer upgrades for the Gideon branch. Money will be awarded in early January and items will be purchased then.

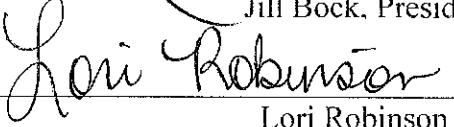
County tax update and legislative measures were discussed. Nothing has been "set in stone" as of yet, and anything done will be voted on by constituents which will be sometime next year.

A printout of expenses was presented from the Haryette Golden Trust. The monies are specifically for the New Madrid County library. Lori suggested replacing the old fluorescent lighting with LED lighting, and the addition of a small Smartboard. The Board agreed with the purchases, but suggested discussing the Smartboard purchase with the employees of New Madrid to make sure it would be utilized to its full potential.

6. Old Business
7. New Business
8. Executive Session
9. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Marinda Thornbrough; second by Joe Brashears. Motion unanimously passed.

Presiding Officer  \_\_\_\_\_  
Jill Bock, President

Director  \_\_\_\_\_  
Lori Robinson