

Big Rapids Community Library - Library Board Meeting
Held in Community Room at the Big Rapids Community Library
May 14, 2026, at 5:30 PM

1. Call to Order

- The Library Board Meeting was called to order by Sandra Braden-Worth at 5:34 pm.
- Board Members in attendance: **Vice-Chair** Sandra Braden-Worth, Ralph Crew & Laura Herrell
- Board Members absent: **Chair** Sarah Lucas & Mike Ryan
- Quorum present: yes
- Library staff in attendance: Lauren Perkins (Library Director) & Sarah Welch (Head of Programs and Services)

2. Reading and Approval Minutes

- The April 2026 Meeting Minutes were tabled.

3. Correspondence and Communication

- The library received the LSTA (Library Services and Technology Act) Grant from the IMLS (Institute of Museum and Library Services). This grant will allow the library to purchase supplies to create 16 more Backpack Explorer Kits, specifically designed for bird education in Bird City, Big Rapids.

4. Public Comment

- none

5. Report of the Library Director

- Monthly Report reviewed
 - The city requested a 10% reduction in the proposed budget. The part-time labor and materials budget was reduced.
- Financial Report reviewed

6. Old/Unfinished Business

- none

7. New Business

- none

8. Unscheduled Business

- none

9. Public Comment

- none

10. Next Meeting

- The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, June 11, 2026, at 5:30 pm.

11. Adjournment

- Sandra Braden-Worth adjourned the meeting at 6:06 pm.