

Alpine Public Library Board Meeting
October 18, 2025 Minutes

Present: Don, Rick, Susie, Judy, Cathy L, Kay, Kathy J

Kay called the meeting to order at 5:34 p.m.

September Minutes: Susan made the motion to approve the September 22nd minutes and Rick seconded. Motion approved with one correction.

Consent Agenda is current financial numbers and Director's Report. Susan wondered if the Board members wanted the financial statements sent out before the meeting or if they just wanted to review them at the meeting. It was decided that the members would like her new APL Financial Summary sent before meetings for review. The money from the Spicewood fundraiser will not show up on the Financial Summary until next month.

Directors report: Don briefed the board. Two new employees have been hired and the library and since the library is open again on Saturdays they have been averaging 50 people each Saturday. Don had requested a technology grant for \$13,150 but received \$16,645 to help cover installation. The American Heart Association will again be offering a First Aid/CPR class this fall with a limit of 6 students. The GED Program is very active with one student passing all four tests and three others testing. Don has applied for a Family Place Grant which if received will enhance the children's area and programs. We need to answer the phone in ReReads. We need to do housekeeping in ReReads and there is no sign up sheet. A plumber has called for the Women's bathroom but is waiting for parts. The new City Manager is Edgar Garcia and should be coming soon. Motion to approve Consent Agenda was made by Judy, Kathy J seconded and Motion approved.

New Business:

1. Pollinator Garden is moving right along. The fence is up the gates are up and some of the planting is done. They are hoping to have the Grand Opening right before Artwalk or the weekend of Artwalk.
2. The library made \$1100 from food and \$1000 from the bar code at Spicewood. They have agreed to hold a fundraiser quarterly so they plan to do it again on January 23rd.
3. The Reata does not yet have a check ready and they don't have a final total yet. It will be after the first of next month. They have agreed to have another fundraiser and February was discussed but a specific date has not been set.
4. The contract with Sul Ross for our use of the old True Value Garden Center has been signed. Our insurance will cover our use of their building. We hope to get the keys on November 13th. Mary Bennet has arranged for a cleaning crew at a cost of \$300. Donations to cover the cost are appreciated. We hope to move the tables in on the 17th. The tee-shirts will be ordered next week.

5. Pat McCall has sent out a work schedule for the Silent Auction that was handed out to all Board members.

Ongoing Business

6. Fundraising

- a. We had a successful event at the Farmers Market to get the word out about the Mask Fundraiser. About 18 masks have been turned in so far. Ribbons will be ordered for first, second and third in each division. Starting bids for masks will be \$25.
- b. Butterfly & Star fundraiser on October 28th at 6:00 pm. Large butterfly or large star \$100. Medium butterfly or medium star \$75. Butterflies & stars will be painted, then fired and placed on our mural.

7. Next Board Meeting November 17th.

Judy made a motion to adjourn, Susan seconded. Motion approved.

Adjourned 6:11 pm.