

Southgate Veterans Memorial Library Commission
Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, March 11, 2026

Meeting called to order at 4:15 p.m. by: Beth Altizer

In attendance: Don Priest. **Commission Members:** Beth Altizer, Kim Guentner, Mary Lamos, Cathy Nowicki, Hailey Zayac, and Suzanne Straub **City Council Liaison:** Karen George **Finance Manager:** Doug Drysdale and **City Administrator:** Dan Marsh

Absent: Miranda Wieman

Additions to the Agenda: none

Approval of minutes: Kim Guentner motions to approve the minutes of the last meeting. Suzanne Straub seconds. Motion carries unanimously.

Director's Report given by Don Priest: A copy of the report was given to all members at the meeting and emailed to those members who were absent.

Financial Report: Doug Drysdale presented the budget report to include income and expenses from the prior year, current year, and upcoming year. Kim Guentner motions to accept the proposed budget. Mary Lamos seconds. The motion carries unanimously.

New Business

- **Library 60th Anniversary Party** – A party will be held on Thursday, April 9th at 6 p.m. to celebrate. Don will invite other library directors, community members, as well as some of the past commission members.
- **Capital Improvement Plan** – Some items to be consider in the plan are as follows
 - Check the status of the roof
 - Add two study rooms
 - Front entrance
 - Floor vents
 - Replace movable wall
 - Public bathroom sinks
 - Lighting evaluation
 - Replace staff computers by 2030
 - Replace desks for public computers

Old Business

- **Librarian Wages** – Dan Marsh was present to address questions from the commission regarding the Librarians request for assistance from the commission in their wage negotiation. Dan explained that all negotiations must go through their union (TPOAM 2018). The commission members understand that they cannot be of assistance in this matter.
- **Heritage Days Parade** – The commission members will participate in the parade of Saturday, June 10th.
- **Mural** – The mural in the children's area is almost finished.

Member's comments "for the good of the order" – None

Public Comments or questions – None

Adjournment: Mary Lamos motions to adjourn at 4:56. Kim Guentner seconds. All were in favor. Motion carries unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted on March 12, 2026, by Mary Lamos