

EBA Meeting Minutes July 17, 2025

Meeting held at Eureka Public Library was called to order at 4pm by Jaimie.

Thank you to Eureka Public Library for hosting this month's meeting.

June Meeting Minutes: Review of June 2025 minutes that were emailed to EBA members.

Motion to approve made by Nancy Aldridge, 2nd motion by Kevin Singletary.

June 2025 Meeting Minutes approved.

June Treasurer's Report: Review of June 2025 financial report that was emailed to EBA members.

See June 2025 Treasurer's Report.

Cindy stated that some last minute memberships arrived in June.

Some Market Day vendor fee checks were cashed late.

Motion made by Jeremy LaKosh, 2nd motion by Sam Sendra.

June 2025 Treasurer's Report approved.

Current Business:

Thank you to Autumn Jones for making the 2025 EBA map! Maps will be emailed very soon to all EBA members to print and share at their businesses.

Market on the Courthouse Lawn 2025 went very well! Vendor spaces were sold out, it was hot but a breezy day, and good feedback from vendors. Susan is considering changing the staging, unloading, etc. process for Market Day.

Eureka Events Committee reports that the 2025 4th of July parade went well and they have some good ideas for next year.

Experience Eureka is about to finalize this year's details and is still looking for 1-2 EBA members to help this event grow!!

Please email or dm EBA asap if your business will be participating in Experience Eureka on the evening of September 5, 2025.

Friends of EBA memberships are still available! Tell your friends:)

New Business:

Dave Molleck would like to come and speak about his newspaper that is about to launch this Fall tentatively called the Eureka Voice. The paper will be a Eureka and some surrounding area (District 140.) An informational meeting will be set before the end of July. Members are encouraged to attend the City Hall meeting. Please watch email and our social media for date & time.

Nancy Aldrich asked if the newspaper name could be reconsidered if it does indeed cover other communities such as “greater Eureka area.”

Jeremy LaKosh asked if the paper is weekly or monthly.

Business Announcements-

Maple Lawn has an ad running on WTVP. This video was created by a Bradley business school student for Maple Lawn!

Jeremy stated that they have a lengthy waiting list for Maple Lawn and the ad serves as a way to reach other communities.

Nancy Aldridge handed out fliers for a blood drive at the Methodist church Monday, August 4, from 12-6pm.

Kiwanis has a fundraiser at IGA on July 25 from 11-1pm with brats, porkchops, ribeye steaks & hot dogs.

Heartland Bank is doing some painting at the main branch.

Kevin Singletary stated that Apostolic Christian Home is hosting a Dementia Education Support Group Thurs., July 24, at Eureka Public Library's community room at 6:30pm with a Q & A session.

Kiwanis Club will hold a Christmas decorating contest for residential & commercial categories as well as a Fall decorating contest, too! No flier yet, stayed tuned for more info!

Farm Bureau's Women's Committee is hosting a Ladies Night Out with the Farm Bureau on Friday, September 12th from 6-8pm. Hello Boutique will be open, Nana's Tallow will be there with items for sale, Weer Farms will have a Build-a-Bouquet flower bar, we will have mocktails and treats courtesy of some local farmers, and the opportunity to help us build tie-blankets for

donation to some of the local nursing homes. Also they have a space in their building open for lease starting ASAP. Fully furnished, utilities included, and high speed internet ready.

Cindy O'Neill told us the library is celebrating its 95th birthday with a full month of events! Summer series is about to end and going very well! Family Fun Day was well attended at Apostolic Christian Home. There will be a Karaoke Machine Party on Thurs., July 31, at 5:30 at the library as part of the 95th birthday celebration!

Our next meeting will be held at 4pm, August 21, 2025, at Woodford County Historical Society.

Meeting adjourned at 4:36pm.

Cindy O'Neill Director of the Eureka Public Library shared a wonderful presentation about the founder of the library, buildings, referendums, programs, and the many services the library service to the community. We truly enjoyed hearing about the journey of the library and thank you for hosting Eureka Business Association this month!