

# **AGENDA FORM 2022**

**The Hennessey Library Board will meet Feb 14 at 4:30PM at the Library's Brick Cafe.**

1. Reading of Minutes
2. Library Reports
  - a. Financial
  - b. Library
3. Other Reports
4. Recommendations
5. Accept/Reject Resignations
6. Citizen's Comments
7. Other Matters Unforeseen

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# Book it to the Library

## Technical Difficulties: Continued

The Library reopened after the December holiday on Jan. 2<sup>nd</sup> with hopes that the new firewall would be installed that week. Due to shipment delays, ITMerrit installed a temporary internet modem on Jan. 10<sup>th</sup>. This will allow staff to have access to the internet on hard-wired devices as well as phone service. In accordance with E-Rate, in which the State of Oklahoma provides internet to our Library, we cannot allow the public on the Library's internet without a content filter. Until the new firewall with content filter is in place, the Library will have limited internet services.

According to ITMerrit, it was discovered that the equipment that was ordered (quoted around \$3000) was on a three to four-month backorder. Alternative brands were discussed but it was determined that the Fortinet system would be easier to work with for both library staff and ITMerrit. It was decided that a more advanced and expensive model (roughly \$6-8000) would be ordered instead as it was already in stock in the U.S. ITMerrit would apply for the appropriate discounts to lower the price as much as possible. This equipment will be purchased with Kingfisher County funds.

As of Feb. 8<sup>th</sup>, no equipment has been installed and Library patrons still have restricted access to the internet. Staff is doing everything they can to assist patrons with printing, faxing, and other services related to the internet. We thank you for your patience and continued support.

## Library's Future: 5-10-15 Year Plan

Feb. 5<sup>th</sup> the Hennessey Board of Trustees met with the various department supervisors of the Town of Hennessey to hear their presentations and brainstorm the future of Hennessey, including the Library. A 5-10-15 Year plan was submitted to the Board. This list included various improvements to the Library building to encourage functionality until the Town can come to a decision on the future of the physical structure. According to Tiffany, Town Administrator, once the pool is paid off in the next 7 to 8 years, the Library's physical location will be brought to the forefront of the Board's planning.

Library staff would like to encourage the Hennessey community to show your support for your local library. Please express your thoughts and concerns to your local government, let them know your vision of the Library's future in Hennessey.

We thank you for your support and patronage.