Town of Granby
Granby Library Board Meeting
Minutes
September 14, 2026

Members present: Judy Guarco, Chairman, Kristal Fiorentino, Lynn Guelzow, Ellen Thomson, Catherine Watso (exited at 7:55) & Paul Willis

Staff: Amber Wyzik, Director of Library Services

Absent: Laurel Farrer, Hillary Peterson, Michelle Liebovitz

Call to order: A quorum was present, and Chairman Guarco called the meeting to order at 6:42 p.m.

Review of Agenda: A. Wyzik requested to add to New Business information about a new Library Board Recording Secretary. E. Thomson requested to correct the date for the next scheduled meeting from October 12 to October 13. This meeting was moved per January 2026 meeting minutes due to the legal holiday falling on October 12.

Review and Approval of Minutes: On a motion by P. Willis, seconded by E. Thomson**,** the Board voted (6 yes, 1 abstained, 0 no) to approve the minutes of the April 13, 2026, meeting.

Public Comment: None

Director's Report:
Fast Stats:

- A Wyzik shared a glimpse at some of the FY26 stats compiled for the state report.

Operations:

- Kicked off new program registration and room reservation system called Vega Program. There have been a few issues with the program, but the company's working with us to resolve them.

Personnel:

- Nothing new to report

Grants:

- Awarded the $10,000 grant to Salmon Brook Historical Society to supplement the Pomeroy Brace grant for Cossitt Restoration
- A. Wyzik shared progress on the Cossitt Phase 1, Part 3 work currently being completed at Cossitt thanks to the Pomeroy Brace Grant, Salmon Brook Historical Society Grant and Town Capital Improvement funds.

Program Highlights:

A. Wyzik shared pictures from various Summer Reading programs including Maker Camp, Monthly Makes at the Makerspace, America 250 inspired events, Crochet Club, Cooking Club, Teen Felting and Clay Creations.

Important Upcoming Dates:
November 7- Granby Children's Book Festival
December 1- Public Hearing re: Bond Projects
December 8- Bond Referendum

Old Business:
A. Wyzik provided updates on potential Library Building Project including;

- The State Grant is officially postponed until the 2027 grant cycle
- The Bond Vote has been moved to December 8 and has been advertised
- All other grants regarding the Library Building Project are on hold until after the bond vote. Many grants responded that an official project was required.

New Business/Other Business:
A. Wyzik reported that R. Gilbert had officially resigned as the Library Board Recording Secretary. Sara Feldstein, a Library Assistant at the Granby Public Library, will be taking over for her at the October meeting. Per instructions from the Finance Department, a new standing item will be included on each meeting agenda to approve payment for this position. The Board inquired if we could just have one vote that would cover every minute. A. Wyzik will reach out to Finance and check.

Liaisons Reports:
FOGPL – J. Guarco, Chairman, reported the FOGPL Used Book Sale was a huge success. That many volunteers made it happen and it was the smoothest year they've had in a while.

GLA – A. Wyzik, Director reported GLA will be putting all current donations into a CD to help accrue a higher interest rate.

CAMPAIGN CABINET – L. Guelzow reported that the consultant is creating a new scope for us to review and that we believe we have a new timeframe with them that will begin in the Fall of 2027. This phase of the work includes providing as much information to the community as possible and to remind people to vote. They are still looking for residents willing to send letters to the drummer about "Why they love the library" and for people to attend various library programs to share info about the vote.

Next Meeting:
The next meeting of the Granby Library Board will be Tuesday, October 13, 2026, at 6:30 p.m. at Granby Public Library.

Adjournment: On a motion by E. Thomson, seconded by P. Willis, the Board voted (5-0-0) to adjourn the meeting at 8:03 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Amber Wyzik