

**Bentley Memorial Library Board
Regular Meeting
Tuesday, May 12th, 2026
206 Bolton Center Road, Bolton, CT**

1. Call to Order:

Ms. Holliman opened the regular meeting at 4:05PM.

2. Attendance:

Present at the regular meeting were Board Members, Claire Fazzina, Vice Chair, Loni Hryn, Board Treasurer, Dot Neil, Board Clerk, Camden Soucy, Board Chair, Rebecca Holliman, Library Director, Liz Thornton. Absent from the meeting with notice were; Brook Nowak, and Board Secretary, Kelly Goldsnider.

3. Approval of Minutes:

Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held January 13th, 2026: A motion was made by Ms. Fazzina, seconded by Ms. Neil to approve the minutes as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

4. Correspondence: None

6. Director's Report:

- Ms. Thornton reported that Mark has retired, and thus Sam has been promoted to his position. They had adequate time to cross-train before Sam took on his new role.
- Ms. Thornton reported that there is a job listing being posted via the town and elsewhere to fill in Sam's position for the circulation desk. Linda and Kathy have been subbing in the meantime and everything has been going smoothly.
- There will be a 250th celebration at the Library "Web We Wove" in June with The Dirty Blue Shirts. There is a 250th Summer Reading bulletin board in the Children's room.
- Ms. Thornton was pleased to report that there have been many great programs at the library recently, including; "Composting Vernal Pools", "Bald Eagles" with D.E.E.P. , "CT in Poetry", in which CBC has been filming.
- The library celebrated NAational Library Week with many fun activities which Ms. Thornton reported to have a good turnout of both adults and children.
- CT Library Passport Program: 251 passports were stamped at BML. Visitors took pictures and shared positive feedback.
- BML hosted an awards night for Bolton Together HArtford Fund Grant which went well.
- The Adult Large Print section of the library has been weeded through, moved and reorganized nicely.
- The Free Seed Library has been successful.
- Upcoming programs include; "Birds of Prey", and "Rocks and Minerals" which has a corresponding display in the display case.
- BML will be hosting the second graders on Wednesday May 27th, for a day of fun-filled activities.

7. Old Business: Review of Monthly Statistical Report

March and April Statistical Reports were distributed and reviewed.

8. New Business: Review of Library Budget

- Ms. Thornton reported that there are 6 weeks left in the year with money encumbered. Ms.

Thornton reported that the budget is on track.

9. Vote To Accept Revisions and Update to the Library Policy and Procedures

A motion was made by Ms. Holliman, seconded by Ms. Soucy to accept the Revisions and Update to the Library Policy and Procedures. The motion passed unanimously.

10. Adjournment:

A motion was made by Ms. Fazzina, seconded by Ms. Hryn adjourned the meeting at 4:41 pm. The motion passed unanimously.

The next regular meeting is July 14th, 2026 at 4:00pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Camden Soucy
Bentley Memorial Library Board Clerk

Please refer to minutes of subsequent meeting for any addition or correction to these minutes.