

Lackawanna Public Library
Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes
Meeting Date: July 15, 2026

- Call to order: 5:04 PM
- In Attendance: Cindy Anderson, Lisa Rizzo, Nicole Edin-Sundown, Dean Otoka, Lynn Dziak Library Director: Danielle Ptak Excused: Andrea Haxton, Greg Stachowski
Absent: Terrence Gidney
- Pledge recited: 5:05 PM
- Review & Acceptance of June 2026 Minutes: Will review in September as not enough board members to approve as Lynn and Dean were not here in June. Motion to postpone
First: Lynn Dziak Second: Ian Schroeder Unanimously accepted.
- Review & Acceptance of June 2026 Financials:
First: Nicole Edin-Sundown Second: Lisa Rizzo Unanimously accepted.
- Review & Acceptance of June 2026 Statistics:
First: Cindy Anderson Second: Lisa Rizzo Unanimously accepted.
- Review & Acceptance of Director's Report:
First: Lisa Rizzo Second: Ian Schroeder Unanimously accepted.
- ByLaws Amendments: We reviewed the updated ByLaws.
First: Cindy Anderson Second: Lisa Rizzo Unanimously accepted.
- The Fundraising & Development committee have had 2 meetings and have set the Date for our next Books & Brews Fundraiser for Thursday, October 1st at J's White Elephant. Tickets will be \$20 each The event will be from 5:30-8:00 PM Lombardo will print the tickets.
- NYS Construction Aid Grant 2024: This was approved after Danielle resubmitted and DV Brown will be back at the end of August since the resubmission was not approved by the end of June.
- 2021 Erie County Funds & Burke Bullet Aid: Danielle requested that the unused monies from this Grant be transferred from the Memorial Account to the Grant Account. This was completed.
- NYS Construction Aid Grant 2027: We discussed for this grant possibly use for the water leaking in the Community Room and replacing drainage tile. Still in discussion

- NYS Construction Aid Grant 2026: We discussed using this money for a new elevator. The Grant Committee will meet to review and get the grant in place.
First: Ian Schroeder Second: Lisa Rizzo Unanimously accepted.
- We also voted to accept the 2026 Member Library Contract which Dean and myself then signed.
First: Ian Schroeder Second: Lisa Rizzo Unanimously accepted.
- At 5:55 PM, the board entered into an Executive Session to perform and complete Danielle's review.
First: Lisa Rizzo Second: Cindy Anderson Unanimously accepted.
Once completed, we then called Danielle back in to discuss all subjects and reasons how we came to the decisions we did. Exited the Executive Session at 7:12 PM
First: Lisa Rizzo Second: Ian Schroeder Unanimously Accepted.
- Garden Club: We discussed making a dedication in the Gardens in Victoria Dale's name Rose Scahill (the donor) will be involved in the decision. Also talked about maybe using perennial flowers and where to use them. Dean will discuss with Rose regarding the donation amount. We then discussed moving forward and will have to make a plan to further improve the Garden areas as we need compost, mulch, and concrete pots to move, along with other improvements.
- Danielle met with the mayor on July 17th: Topics to include: how much money left in the City budget for the Library, check on the status of Terrence as a board member, elevator project for the 20206 NYS Construction grant,
- Next board meeting: Wednesday, September 16th, 2026 @ 5:00 PM
- Adjournment: 7:15 PM
First: Ian Schroeder Second: Lisa Rizzo Unanimously accepted