

GOSHEN PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Monthly Meeting Wednesday August 19, 2026 4:00 PM
Goshen Town Hall Conference Room and Zoom

1. Call to Order- Rebecca Prause 4:03 pm.
2. Attendance: Kristen D'Urso, Henrietta Horvay, Rebecca Prause, Marianne Arancio Stilson, Dawna Beausoleil, Philip Armentrout,
3. Acceptance of Minutes - July 22, 2026 Special Meeting: Minutes should reflect Rebecca Prause will talk with Seth regarding the library fund and how the board proposes it should be used so that it will be put on the agenda for the next town meeting. Motion made by Marianne Arancio Stilson to accept the minutes. The motion passed.
4. Matters Arising from the Minutes: None
5. Library Director's Report: refer to the attached report.
 - a. The board is working with the library to increase engagement at library programs. Philip Armentrout will hand out flyers for Marianne Arancio Stilson to hand out around town. Kristen D'Urso would like to see more social media posting. It is a very valuable tool and Philip Armentrout can work with the teen council to get more attention for programs using social media.
 - b. The Director and the Library Board discussed overdrive (libby) licensing. Licensing is expensive so the Director is exploring ways that we can create shorter waiting lines for our patrons while being mindful of the costs. The Director will look at statistics to see how many patrons are using libby.
 - c. The Director has a survey to be completed. He will provide this to Rebecca Prause who will distribute it to the board. This will be reviewed at the next meeting.
6. Treasurer's Report- Refer to the attached report. Money received from library fees is deposited into the town's account. Marianne Arancio Stilson made a motion to receive the treasurer's report. The motion passed.
7. President's Report
 - a. Dawna Beausoleil, Welcome New Board Member
 - b. Election of Officer Positions: President/Chair, Vice President/Vice Chair-
Marianne Arancio Stilson nominated Rebecca Prause for President/Chair. All in favor.
Rebecca Prause nominated Marianne Arancio Stilson for Vice President/Vice Chair. All in favor.
8. Correspondence
 - a. A legal response regarding library fund terms of use was provided by the town clerk. The terms of the fund will be discussed at the next town meeting in

November. Rebecca Prause will verify with the First Selectman that this will be brought up and review the wording provided to the board). Language should be supported by the board.

9. Old Business

- a. Library fund terms of use, request town meeting vote.

10. New Business- None

11. Public Comment- None

12. All Other Business Rightly Before the Board -None

13. Adjournment -Marianne Arancio Stilson made a motion to adjourn at 4:41 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,



Kristen D'Urso
Clerk, pro-tem

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Attest Barbara Z Brun
Goshen Town Clerk