

**Fort Edward Free Library**  
**Board Meeting Minutes**  
**May 12, 2026**

**Attendance:** James Donahue, John Godfrey, Morgan Clark, Kate Hunsdon

**Excused:** Mary Ellen Fisher

**Staff:** Vicki Plude

**Welcome:** A meeting was called to order at 7:09 p.m. In person. Minutes of the April meeting were unanimously approved (J. Godfrey, M. Clark).

**Financial Report:**

- Bills were paid and accounts balanced through April 30th, 2026.
- Checkbook reconciled as of April 30th, 2026.
- The 990 and Quarterly report were sent to Eric Smatko. They were forwarded to the IRS.

**Librarian's Report:**

- Report of items, patrons, circulation, new items, Wi-Fi usage, and interlibrary loans for April.
- Book club met with 7 in attendance.
- There was 1 program during Spring Break, with 5 sessions. Attendance of 5 adults and 10 kids.
- Class reunion met with 10 in attendance.
- Garden club met with 6 in attendance.
- Ordered new staff computer.

- SALS submitted annual report.
- Emily and Vicki are meeting tomorrow May 13th to plan summer programs.

### **Correspondence:**

- Rec'd from Paul McCarty- looking for donations to the Historical Society through membership.
- Rec'd from SALS- information about "Birding Kits". Vicki requested 25. May plan field trip if/when they are received.
- Rec'd from Kim Bolan- sending out policy templates once completed.
- Rec'd from Ross J. Williams- book entitled "Elijah Williams and His Descendants". Will write to author for possible program.

### **Unfinished Business:**

- Lawn- on hold.
- Paul McCarty program- on hold.
- Downton Abbey movie- plans to show it in July, possibly outside.
- Book Sale-to be held June 8-12th from 9 a.m.-6 p.m. Will feature the corn hole raffle. Will place an ad in the Chronicle.

### **New Business:**

- New hours for summer:
  - Monday-Thursday 9 a.m.-1 p.m.
  - Monday-Wednesday 2:45 p.m.-6 p.m.
  - Friday 9 a.m.-12 p.m.
- Library will be closed Friday, May 22.

A motion to adjourn was made at 7:48 p.m. and was unanimously approved (J. Godfrey, M. Clark).

Draft submitted by Secretary Kate Hunsdon