

CANAAN HISTORICAL SOCIETY

MEETING MINUTES

JUNE 19, 2026

The June 19, 2026 meeting at the Alice Ward Memorial Library was attended by Dennis Fuller, Sally Masson, Harland Crawford, Georgiana Carr, James Bower, Robert Lee, Monique Petrofsky, and Gayl Tjornehoj.

1. Dennis Fuller called the meeting to order at 3:05 PM.
2. A motion was made, seconded, and passed to approve the minutes of the May 15, 2026 meeting.
3. Appointments - None
4. Sally presented the Treasurer's report, which was approved and placed on file.
5. The Vermont Department of Labor is processing the unclaimed tax credit – no news.
6. Community Concert/250th Anniversary Celebration – The committee will set up a display at the 250th anniversary celebration in the rec park on July 18th from 4 to 8 pm.
7. Jay Craven movie – Dash grant – No word from Jay Craven about a movie to see when he would be present in Canaan. Dash grant to sponsor this is on hold. Permission to present movie at Canaan School is being sought.
8. Cowan's books – Volume I and III – Volume I reprinted, Volume II selling, Volume III is being started.
9. Pioneer Trail/QR code – A QR code is being established by Frank Sawicki and Dennis Fuller for the Pioneer Trail site in Canaan this summer. A motion by Sally Masson and seconded by Georgiana Carr and all in favor to spend \$212 Canadian to be on website already established on the Canadian sites.
10. Parade – A float for the 4th of July parade in Colebrook does not have a lot of enthusiasm.
11. Local Historical Societies meetings – A bus or car tour of area historical societies will be discussed at regional historical society meeting later this summer.
12. Gana and Carol Reynolds are coordinating the fall flower bulb fundraiser. Diana designed the promotional poster and created the order form, which has already been printed and Gana will distributed the poster around town. Order now and receive bulbs at end of October. Pricing is 24 bulbs for \$30.00. Once delivered, the bulbs will need to be sorted before distribution.
13. Other business:
 1. Post cards depicting the library in earlier years have been printed for give aways at the 250th celebration.
 2. The library building is (180 years old this year). This will be mentioned or documented at the celebration.
 3. Wood structure over the St. Thomas Bell is in place and looks good. The bell should be rung at the celebration.
14. A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 4:00 pm.

Submitted by Harland Crawford