

CANAAN HISTORICAL SOCIETY

MEETING MINUTES

MAY 15, 2026

The May 15, 2026 meeting at the Alice Ward Memorial Library was attended by Dennis Fuller, Sally Masson, Harland Crawford, Nancy Petro, James Bower, and Gayl Tjornehoj. Guest Melissa Sheridan (Librarian) was also present.

1. Dennis Fuller called the meeting to order at 3:00 PM.
2. A motion was made, seconded, and passed to approve the minutes of the April 17, 2026 meeting.
3. Sally presented the Treasurer's report, which was approved and placed on file.
4. The Vermont Department of Labor is processing the unclaimed tax credit, and the check should be in the mail soon.
5. 250th Anniversary Celebration – The committee will set up a display of vintage uniforms and clothing. Possible giveaway items were discussed. A shelter or protective covering will be needed to safeguard the clothing during the event.
6. News regarding the Jay Craven film tabled to the June meeting with timing and grant search.
7. We still have twenty copies of Volume II and No Volume I left. A motion was made by Sally Masson, seconded by Gayl Tjornehoj and passed unanimously to order 50 copies of Volume I. The committee was also unanimously in favor of beginning work on *Volume III*.
8. Gayl Tjornehoj will converse with Frank Sawicki about setting up a QR code for our Pioneer Trail.
9. All area Historical Societies will meet on May 19, 2026 from 9 to 11 am at the Alice Ward Memorial Library to discuss unification in tele media and projects for the public.
10. Information on Flower Bulb fundraiser tabled until the June meeting.
11. Other business:
 - a. A motion was made by Harland Crawford, seconded by Sally Masson, and passed unanimously to approve the \$240.99 payment to Network Solutions to renew the website for one additional year.
 - b. Canadians are very interested on how our QR code will work at our Pioneer Trail site.
 - c. A Canaan time capsule is in the works to celebrate our 250th birthday.
 - d. The St. Thomas Bell cover structure is being built at Canaan Schools. Leveling of the bell is to be done soon.
 - e. Melissa Sheridan has compiled a tribute to Alice Ward our Library benefactor. Sally Masson will edit this material and put it in order to show who Alice Ward was.
12. A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 4:12 pm.

Submitted by Harland Crawford