

**Cumberland Regional Library Board  
Minutes – May 5, 2026**

“Cumberland Public Libraries”, managed and operated by the Cumberland Regional Library Board, a body corporate pursuant to the Libraries Act of Nova Scotia.

The May 5, 2026 meeting of the Cumberland Regional Library Board was held via Google Meet.

**Present:** David Beattie, Councillor Carla Black (Treasurer), Mark Joseph (Vice Chair), Councillor Terry McManaman, Councillor Angel McCormick (Interim Chair), Denise Corey (Director, Secretary), Chantelle Taylor (Deputy Librarian, Recording Secretary)

**1. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 3:01pm.

**2. Approval of the Agenda**

*Councillor Black moved that that the agenda be approved as presented. Seconded by Mr. Joseph. Motion carried.*

**3. Retention of lawyer for contract negotiation**

Councillor McCormick recommended Noella Martin from Burchell Wickwire Bryson in Halifax. Discussion ensued. Ms. Corey will report back to the Board at next with information about availability and cost.

**4. 2026/27 budget**

Councillor McCormick recommended the Board look at ways to deal with the projected deficit of \$50,000 for the current fiscal year. Discussion ensued.

**Next meeting: May 7 2026 3:00pm**

There being no further business Councillor McCormick adjourned the meeting.

Submitted by:

Denise Corey, Library Director/Board Secretary