Caledon Public Library Board
Special Meeting
Monday, September 2, 2025
5:00 p.m.

MINUTES

Present: Tony Maxwell (Chair); Jacqueline Iafrate (Vice-Chair); Nicholas Alleyne; Laura Brady; Scott Goodison; Mary Juric; Domenic Maggi; Councilor Dave Sheen

Staff: Colleen Lipp – CEO | Chief Librarian; Roop Sandhu – Director, Corporate Services and Projects; Leah Rucchetto, Director Public Service

Absent: Councilor Cosimo Napoli;

Note: This meeting was conducted electronically

1. **The Chair called the meeting to order at 5:02 PM**
2. **Indigenous Acknowledgment**

As we gather, we are reminded that the Caledon Public Library sits on the Treaty Lands and Territory of the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation. In particular we acknowledge the territory of the Huron-Wendat, and Haudenosaunee peoples.

We acknowledge the cultural injustices of the past and express our collective hope for full truth and reconciliation in the future.

On this day our meeting place is home to many Indigenous peoples (First Nations, Métis and Inuit) from across Turtle Island (North America).

We are grateful to have the opportunity to work on this land, and by doing so, we give our respect to its first inhabitants.

3. **Apologies for non-attendance:** None received.
4. **Approval of the Agenda**
   Motion: That the Caledon Public Library Board approve the agenda.
   Moved: Councillor Dave Sheen **Seconded:** Nicholas Alleyne
   Carried.
5. **Disclosure of pecuniary interest:** None declared.

6. **Board Discussion**

a. 2026 Draft Budget

The CEO/Chief Librarian provided an overview of the Board-approved 2026 budget and the impact of the budget reductions requested by Town staff on library services.

Motion: That the Caledon Public Library Board formally acknowledge the Town's request to reduce the Library Board's tax-funded capital budget and defer DC-eligible capital projects;

That the Board defer making any changes to the Library's proposed 2026 budget until such time that Board representatives can meet with the Mayor to present and discuss the Library's budget priorities;

That correspondence to the Mayor and Council be drafted for the Chair's review and signature, advising of the implications of these staff-directed budget reductions on library services and confirming the Board's commitment to fiscal accountability and its responsibility, under the Public Libraries Act, to provide budget estimates to the Mayor and Council; and,

That the Board direct the CEO/Chief Librarian to advise the Town's Chief Financial Officer of the Board's decision.

Moved: Scott Goodison **Seconded:** Laura Brady
Carried.

7. **New Business:** None.

8. **Public Question Period**: No members of the public were present.

9. **Time of next regular meeting**:
   a. Monday, September 15, 2025, 6 PM – Southfields Village Branch

10. **Adjournment**

Motion: That the meeting adjourn.
Moved: Scott Goodison **Seconded:** Mary Juric
Carried.

The meeting adjourned at 6:16 PM

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Tony Maxwell
Chair

Colleen Lipp
CEO | Chief Librarian