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Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Cape May County Library Commission held on Wednesday, August 19, 2026 at 1:30pm, in the Board Room of the Cape May County Library in Cape May Court House, NJ.

Present: Mrs. Henderson, Chair
Mr. Mastrangelo, Vice-chair
Mrs. Ponichtera, Secretary
Mr. Ludgate
Mrs. Thomas
Andrea Orsini, Library Director

1. Mrs. Henderson called the meeting to order and announced it was being held in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act.
2. The minutes of the regular meeting of July 15, 2026 were presented for review and approval. Mrs. Henderson made a motion to approve the minutes, which Mr. Ludgate seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
3. Orsini presented the bills for the month of August for review and approval for payment. The list of bills was discussed. Mrs. Henderson made a motion to approve the bills for payment, which Mr. Mastrangelo seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
4. Under old business:
 - a. Orsini gave an update on the HVAC at the Cape May City Library.
 - b. Orsini also gave an update on the upcoming Storywalk project.
 - c. Orsini reported that the Stone Harbor Library first floor flooring is on schedule to be replaced in October.
5. Under new business:
 - a. Orsini reported on the July 2026 programming statistics and noted there were 11,353 participants in the month of July including Outreach. Orsini reported that as of July 31st the library Summer Reading Challenge had 1,747 patrons registered, with 2,148,085 minutes read.
 - b. Orsini reported that the Big Book Sale at the Court House Library is being held 8/24-8/26.
 - c. Orsini also reported that September is National Library Card Sign-up month.
 - d. Orsini reported the plan to update the Court House Reference desks/service area.
 - e. Orsini presented the new Reconsideration of Library Materials Policy draft, and discussed the required Reconsideration of Library Materials Review Committee.
 - f. Resolution August 2026 #1, Separations, was introduced. Mrs. Ponichtera made a motion to accept the resolution, which Mr. Mastrangelo seconded. The resolution passed unanimously.
6. It was noted that the statistics for the month of July 2026 were listed on the agenda.
7. There being no further business, the Commission adjourned.