

Cobb Public Library Board Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, April 21, 2026 - 6:00 p.m.

Meeting held at Cobb Public Library

1. Meeting was called to order by Vice President Karey Menard at 5:58 p.m.
Roll Call: Director - Carrie Jewell (present), President - Gina Peat (absent), Vice President - Karey Menard (present), Secretary - Colleen Fingerson (absent), Treasurer - Christi Kennicker (present), Trustee - Jenni Allen (present), Iowa County Rep - Carol Anderson (present), Village Rep - Alaina Benton (present).
Notices were posted at the Cobb Post Office, Cobb Village Office and Cobb Public Library.
2. Motion by Carol Anderson and seconded by Alaina Benton to adopt the agenda. Motion passed.
3. Adoption of minutes: Christi Kennicker made a motion to accept the minutes and Jenni Allen seconded it. Motion passed.
4. **Treasurer's Report** - Checking: \$2,449.49 and Savings: \$6,025.00
Jenni Allen made the motion to accept the Treasurer's Report and Alaina Benton seconded it. Motion passed.
5. A motion by Christi Kennicker and seconded by Carol Anderson to approve and pay the bills as presented. Motion passed.
6. **Director's Report** - Director Carrie Jewell provided a recap to the board, including the statistics and programs offered last month.
7. **Old Business**
Carrie reported that the Family Literacy Night at IGEMS was a success.
8. **New Business**
 - a. Village Board Rep Report- Alaina shared that she updated the Village Board on the summer events at the library. She also shared that Lisa will now be the Village Clerk full-time.
 - b. Iowa County Rep Report - Carol was unable to join virtually, but Carrie shared that the grant program will continue but they were unsure of the amounts. All libraries will do the same contest for America's 250th Anniversary. Possible ideas included patriotic essays and drawings.
 - c. 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten - Carrie shared she's had a few families sign up. She shared the prizes she has purchased for the program.
 - d. Summer Reading Prize Ideas - Carrie asked for input for summer reading prizes. The group shared the following ideas: Gift cards for local businesses, squishies/needohs, and water bottles.
 - e. Other: A motion was made by Carol Anderson and seconded by Jenni Allen for Carrie to spend \$50.00 on a book and gift card for Village Works employee, Jared Yager and his wife Megan for the recent birth of their son, Russell. Motion passed.

Adjournment - A motion was made by Christi Kennicker and seconded by Alaina Benton to adjourn the meeting at 6:25 p.m. Motion passed.

Next regular meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 19, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. at the Cobb Public Library.

STATISTICS APRIL 2026

Circulation	Adult	Non-res. Adult	Juvenile	Non-res. Juvenile
APR 2026	295	242	6	1
APR 2025	244	212	14	5
	2026		2025	
Library Cards issued	2		2	

Library Visits	Computer Use	Phone/email
A 190 C 165	48 (WOW!!!)	5

	Library Programs and Events	
TUESDAYS	STORYTIME	66
T/TH	EXERCISE FOR SENIORS	51
WED 4/8	CARDMAKING WITH JONI	13
WED 4/29	AFTERNOON MOVIE	4
TH 4/30	EUCHRE	6
DUE 4/25	LIBRARY WEEK DRAWING CONTEST	10
4/19-4/25	LIBRARY WEEK SCAVENGER HUNT	11

What's New 5 DVD'S, 2 graphic novels, 26 children's books, 8 adult fiction, 10 adult fiction donated, 2 large print adult fiction

MAY/UPCOMING Events:

5/13 Card Making with Joni 6pm

5/19 LAST STORYTIME UNTIL JUNE 9TH

5/27 Adult Afternoon Movie 1pm

CLOSED MONDAY MEMORIAL DAY

5/28 Euchre 1pm

READING CHALLENGES BEGIN JUNE 1ST