

Alta Community Library Board Minutes June 11, 2026 Meeting

Call to Order by Board President, Bruce Hinkeldey at 5:15 p.m.

Present: Director - Gigi Nelson, Board Members - Bruce Hinkeldey, Anne Iehl, Willa Casstevens, Carol Lichtenberg

Absent: Anna Garcia, Colleen Schwanz, Colleen Carlson-Konop - Board Members

Visitors: Laura Milliard and Pam Henderson - City Council Members, Desi Suter, City of Alta Mayor, Lorinda Peterson - Co-Chair for the Alta Friends of the Library Steering Committee

After welcoming the visitors, the agenda was unanimously approved following a motion by Willa Casstevens and seconded by Carol Lichtenberg.

The Library Relocation Discussion and Steering Committee Discussion focused on the following –

Alta Friends of the Library Steering Committee will meet again on Thursday, June 18th at 6:30 p.m. The recent events have been: Summer Reading Kickoff, Garage Sale and The Cullen Trio - Water and Buttons were sold and Donation jar was out - Total to be deposited with Lindsay (City Clerk) from these events - \$760.62. Upcoming - BV Co. Fair Booth, possibly participate in the Star Spangled Spectacular Parade, Fair Parade, Next Steering Committee meeting is June 18th. Gigi reported that the signs are completed (done by Commercial Sign and Design) - a sign to be posted in the park, banner and tabletop sign. She received word that the bill for this was paid by an anonymous donor.

The May board meeting minutes were reviewed and unanimously approved following a motion by Willa Casstevens and seconded by Anne Iehl.

The May Statistical Reports and May Revenue and Expense Reports were reviewed and accepted. Gigi noted that Buena Vista county is allotting \$8700.00 to all B.V. County libraries. The budget is on track for the FY26 with about \$5,000.00 projected to be remaining. It was discussed that we should ask the council to place this into a savings account as has been done in the past. This will be addressed in the July meeting after all June bills are paid and a firm amount is in place.

Following a motion by Carol Lichtenberg and seconded by Anne Iehl, the May bills were unanimously approved. A huge thank you to the anonymous donor who paid the Commercial Sign and Design bill of \$1194.00.

Old Business:

Gigi passed out proposed policy sheets for book clubs and homebound delivery. The board approved these policies after making suggested corrections of removing the statement “who is unable to come to the library for a period of 2 months”, and changing the items per delivery from 5 to 10, and up to two delivery/pickup days per month. These policies were unanimously approved following a motion by Anne Iehl and seconded by Willa Casstevens. It was suggested that this homebound policy be put in the next City of Alta Newsletter.

The signs are complete - Commercial Sign and Design can store the park sign for a while until it can be placed in the park.

Gigi reviewed the corrections that have been made following the Fire Inspection and has contacted the local fire chief to come in for another review. A listing of these items is in the Library City Council report.

New Business:

Gigi reviewed the Director's Report - the library received \$250.00 from Alette Clean Energy Inc for children's programs. They are open to being contacted to donate to the new library when plans/starting date of construction is more firm.

Gigi noted that Anne lehl's and Colleen Schwanz's board terms will expire in June 2027.

Gigi has been invited to attend the IMLS (Institute of Museum and Library Services) Convening of America's 250th anniversary in Cincinnati (all expenses paid and a stipend to cover a substitute director in her absence) as a presenter for rural libraries - June 22 - 24. She will be travelling the day before and after.

Following a motion by Willa Casstevens and seconded by Carol Lichtenberg, Anne lehl the meeting was adjourned.

The next regular monthly meeting of the Alta Community Library Board will be at 5:15 p.m. on Thursday, July 9th, 2026 at the library.