



MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Thursday, June 18th, 2026 (12pm) - Burlington Public Library

- 1) Call to Order - 12:03 by Heather Chirumbolo
- 2) Around the Room (:30 intros) – Olivia Miloff (BCC Secretary), Lauren Howard (BCC Director), Margie Bowen (BCC Director), John Seagrave (BCC Past President), Luke Arnone (Member), Adrew LaForge (CCCC Director), Kerry Brash (BCC Past President), Jade LaBella (BCC VP), Heather Chirumbolo (BCC President), Rich Browning (BCC Treasurer), Jordan Sanford (BCC Director), Allen Miloff (Member), Sharon Cataldo (Member), DJ Murphy (BCC Director), J.P Parente (Member), Kris Lucke (Member), Andrea Cote (Member)
- 3) Approval of Previous Meeting(s) Minutes – *May 2026*
 - a. Will be approved in July 2026
- 4) Treasurer's Report – *Rich*
Bank Balance = \$15,355.02

Expenses since last report:

1. \$340.06 — In Concert Web Solutions (\$97.74), Webscape Design (\$159.00), QuickBooks (\$38.38) and Eversource (\$44.94)
2. \$149.00 — [Wordfence.com](https://www.wordfence.com/) for annual website plugin renewal
3. \$36.96 — Tonn's Marketplace for snacks for May Annual Meeting
4. \$75.00 — Home Sweet Home Bakery for cupcakes for May Annual Meeting

Credits since last report:

1. \$675.00 — Membership Dues

Accounts Receivable:

1. \$575.00 — Membership Dues

Central CT Chambers has initiated the July member billing for dues renewal. Rich will have more figures to report on the accounts receivable in July's member meeting.

- a. *Report Approved 1st Jordan Sanford 2nd Jade LaBella*

5) Town & Affiliate Reports

- a. Doug Thompson (First Selectman) – Not Available
- b. J.P. Parente (EDC) (Tavern Day) (America 250)
 - i. Veteran's Dinner happened this past week (102 guests, 61 veterans)
 - ii. July 9th - Reenactment of the first reading of the Declaration of Independence, begins at 5:30 pm in Center on Green
 - iii. Saturday June 27th - Center Cemetery Walkthrough @ 10 am
 - iv. EDC – submitted a couple reports to the town, waiting for feedback
 - v. Tavern Day
 - 1. Registration is open (5/15 - 7/15)
 - 2. Food Vendor Registration is open until July 15th
 - 3. Main Sponsor: Torrington Savings Bank
 - 4. 4 spots open for shuttles, \$1500 a piece (advertising)
 - 5. Town is reassigning the tents to the Tavern Day group
 - 6. Covey road is going to be used more; field is not open for use this year
 - 7. After Tavern Day, reenactment will be taking place @ 4:00pm on Library Lane
- c. Katie D'Agostino (Central CT Chamber of Commerce)
 - i. Annual Dinner was a huge success!
 - ii. State of the Region breakfast was 6/17/2026
 - iii. Change to leads groups - having a joined lead group (more beneficial)
 - iv. June 23rd – Chamber Tune-Up (share events, update director listing, etc.)
 - v. June 25th - Lake Compounce Business After Hours, purchase tickets online (hosted at Carousel Pavilion)
 - vi. July 21st – Morning Jolt 8:00 – 9:00 am
 - vii. New Employment law update – Virtual seminar
 - viii. August 3rd – Golf Tournament, looking for sponsors and volunteers (very well attended)

6) Committee Updates

- a. Membership – *Rich*
 - i. Membership Count
 - 1. Total members = 93
 - 2. Business members = 85
 - 3. Friends of BCC members = 8
 - 4. New business members = 0
 - 5. New Friends of BCC members = 0
 - 6. Jan 2026 past due members = 3
- b. Events – *Kerry/Jade/Heather*
 - i. Upcoming Events
 - 1. July 9, 2026 - BAH – 4-6pm at Prestige Plumbing, joint with Avon/Canton Chamber – John reaching out to Lisa



2. August 12th - Network Palooza – Market Street Creatives joint with LABA
 3. September 10, 2026 (BAH) - Larsons Garden Center
 - c. Board – *Kerry*
 - i. New Board - Terms started June 1st
 1. Lauren Howard (Director)
 2. Olivia Miloff (Secretary)
 3. Chris Mooney (Director)
 - d. Marketing – *Margie/Jade*
 - i. Posting flyers for events
 - ii. Reached 1,000 followers on Facebook
 - iii. Reach out to Jade to promote community events in the Community Corner in Newsletter
- 7) Chamber Updates
- a. Thank you to our small businesses who provided last month's lunch!
 - b. 2027 Hosting opportunities for BAH, coffee connection, lunch and learns
 - c. Restaurant Week
 - i. CCCC invited us to be a part, joined with Farmington & Plainville
 - ii. Beginning July 24th
 - d. "Burlington's Best – Food Addition"
 - i. Create 6 different categories, going to restaurants and have them submit a certain dish
 - ii. Voting for Town Residents
 - iii. Raffle for town gift basket
 - iv. Voting in August, Announcement of winner(s) in September
 - e. Holiday Trees
 - i. 90 that are put up along Rt 4 around town
 - ii. Order was just placed
 - f. September/October meeting locations – Congregational Church of Burlington
 - g. Help us keep growing! Referral bonus (\$25 Visa Gift Card)
- 8) Discussion
- a. John Seagrave- Bought land in Burlington to potentially expand Barron Financial
 - b. Keystone has a parade, looking for participants to drive through July 22nd - Contact Olivia Miloff
 - c. Christopher Mooney is changing his podcast name to "Right Here", recording in Bridgeport now
- 9) **Next Meeting:** Thursday, July 16th (noon) at the Burlington Library
- 10) Meeting adjourned at 12:46

