



MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Thursday, May 21st, 2026 (12pm) - Burlington Public Library
ANNUAL MEETING

- 1) Call to Order by John Seagrave at 12:10pm
- 2) Around the Room (:30 intros): Kris Lucke – Member, Andrea Cote – Member, Rich Browning – Director, Kerry Brash – Past President, Amanda Tortora – Member, Christopher Lemos – Member, Heather Chirumbolo, Jade LaBella – VP, John Seagrave – BCC President, Jordan Sanford – Current Secretary, Olivia Miloff – Member, JP Parente – Member, Christopher Mooney – Member, Luke Arnone – Newest Member, Lauren Howard – Member, Margie Bowen – Director, Katie D’Augustino – CCCC President.
- 3) Approval of Previous Meeting(s) Minutes – *April*
 - a. Motion to approve
 - i. First Motion: Chris Mooney
 - ii. Second Motion: Kerry Brash
- 4) Treasurer’s Report – **Rich**
 - a. Motion to approve
 - i. First Motion: Jade LaBella
 - ii. Second Motion: Heather Chirumbolo
- 5) Town & Affiliate Reports
 - a. Doug Thompson (First Selectman)
 - i. Parade is Saturday at 10am
 1. May chance to Monday due to weather
 2. There will be an answer later today, decision made no later than 9am Friday
 - b. Katie D’Agostino (Central CT Chamber of Commerce)
 - i. June 3rd – Annual Dinner and Meeting
 1. Bristol Event Center, dinner begins at 5pm
 2. Burlington Honoree is Enclave Grille!
 - ii. June 17th – State of the Region Panel Discussion
 - iii. August 3rd – Annual Golf Tournament
 - c. J.P. Parente (EDC) (Tavern Day) (America 250)
 - i. America 250:
 1. Donations are still being accepted to Town Hall
 2. Parade is on Saturday
 3. Sunday, volunteer painting of the schoolhouse

- 4. Monday morning, 11am – Memorial Service at the Cemetery
 - 5. *All of these events are subject to weather
 - ii. June 13th – Lampson Corner Cemetery Walk
 - 1. Veteran's Dinner is to follow
 - a. All of the food has been donated, and it is free to all Burlington Vets!
 - iii. July 9th – Big reenactment in the center of town
 - 1. 6pm – The Declaration of Independence will be read aloud
 - 2. The Governors Horses will hand deliver the declaration to Dave Elsworth!
 - 3. Reenactors and live music
 - iv. End of Tavern Day – Lexington Concord Battle Reenactment
 - 1. Will begin at 3:45 on Library Lane
- d. Tavern Day:
 - i. Registration is open for both the Expo and craft fair
 - ii. Sponsorships are still open
- e. EDC:
 - i. Mostly a new team!
 - 1. One open vacancy
 - ii. Did an economic analysis of the town recently
 - iii. Also performed a leakage study
 - iv. Created proposal for an art studio in town
 - v. Will be working on the Best of Burlington in the near future

6) Committee Updates

- a. Membership – **Rich**
 - i. Membership Count
- b. Events – *Kerry/Jade*
 - i. June 9, 2026 – Coffee Connection hosted by Service Master Albino
 - ii. June 13th 8am – 1pm Blood Drive at Town Hall
 - 1. Drop off swag to be passed out if you're interested by 5/29 to John's Office.
 - 2. We would need 30 – 35 bags
 - iii. July 9, 2026 - BAH hosted by Prestige Plumbing
 - 1. Hot off the press: this is a joint event with Canton & Avon at a special time to encourage members to enjoy the America 250 celebration across the street at 6pm.
 - iv. August 12, 2026 - Network Palooza – Market Street Creatives joint with LABA
 - v. September 10, 2026 (BAH) hosted by Larsons Garden Center
 - vi. November 12, 2026 (BAH) hosted by Keystone
 - vii. December 2, 2026 Holiday Party & Sidewalk Stroll
 - 1. Backpack Drive
 - a. Please collect supplies and donate!
 - b. No large fundraiser this summer



- c. Focusing on collecting to drop off locations
 - 2. June 13th – Blood Drive at Town Hall
 - a. Please bring items by June 1st for the goodie bags
 - i. Must be dropped off at John's Office
 - viii. June 20th – Fundraiser for Beat the Beast, Colin Genetti's Fundraiser
 - 1. Will be on Library Lane where the carnival usually is
 - 2. Need to raise \$15,000
 - 3. Will be cornhole, food provided by the Lion's Club, and other festivities
 - 4. ALL of the K9 Units in CT will be present
 - c. Nominating – *Kerry*
 - i. Board Slate – Vote for Approval
 - 1. Directors/Officers in question: Jordan, Lauren, Chris Mooney, Kerry Brash, Olivia, Heather, Jade, Rich and John.
 - 2. Motion to Approve the Slate:
 - a. First Motion: Rich Browning
 - b. Second Motion: Jade LaBella
 - ii. Executive Team to be voted on (post-meeting)
 - d. Marketing – *Margie/Jade*
 - i. If you want anything shared on social media, please send to Jade LaBella
- 7) Chamber Updates
 - a. Thank you to lunch providers!
 - i. I Know A Guy provided pasta and salads
 - ii. Greenhouse Tavern provided pizza
 - iii. Home Sweet Home Bakery provided the FABULOUS cupcakes
 - iv. Snacks provided by Tonn's Marketplace
 - b. Help us keep growing! Referral bonus and hosting opportunities!
 - c. Parting Thoughts!
 - i. John will continue to offer support and still be present and active, even though he is stepping down
- 8) Discussion
 - a. "Best Of" Food Edition in town!
 - i. Specific to Burlington
 - ii. Working with the EDC Board
- 9) **Next Meeting:** Thursday, June 18th (noon) at the Burlington Library
- 10) Meeting Adjourned at 12:58pm by John Seagrave