

Areas of Focus

- **Building Project** – Advancing the proposed municipal facility project through a public information process; presented to the Board of Education and completed reach outs to community stakeholders.
- **Summer 2026** – Summer Reading Program underway; Summer Guide complete; seasonal staffing and volunteers coordinated.
- **Capital Planning** – Capital plan amendment prepared should the potential facility project proceed; lab seating options under review.
- **Audit** – 2025 Audit Report received; associated resolution prepared for Board review.
- **Personnel** – Coordinating seasonal employment and addressed a payroll item requiring Board action in June.

Strategic Goals

Strengthening Community Connection (Library & History Center use and facilities, Collections, and Digital Resources)

- **Building Project**
 - Prepared information pieces and supporting materials for a public information process introducing the proposed municipal facility project.
 - Presented the proposed project to the Avalon Board of Education at their May 2026 meeting.
 - Reached out to community stakeholders and organizations to share details and offer opportunities to meet.
 - Prepared a capital plan amendment to allow adequate 2026 funds for the potential project, should this effort proceed
- **Capital Planning – Lab** – Reviewing options for new seating in the library lab.
- **Audit** – Received the 2025 Audit Report and prepared the associated resolution for Board review.
- **HC Website** - June 15th website launch for new digital platform - to be demonstrated at HC Open House on 6/18.
- **Freedom to Read Act** – Shared the Board-approved Collection Development Policy with the NJ State Library for compliance review.
- **Library Trademark** – The Library's trademark was renewed for a 10-year term.
- **Technology** – New multifunction scanner/fax installed for public use. Includes option for overhead scanning.
- **Policies** – Drafted an Artificial Intelligence policy governing the use of AI technology by library staff, for Board review at the June meeting.

Cultivating Culture in the Community (Marketing, Community & Staff Engagement, and Events)

- **Summer Guide** – Prepared and proofed annual Summer Guide, containing all summer activities and year-round services, for mailing to property owners and distribution at locations throughout town.

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- **Summer Marketing** – Managing production queues for summer marketing and publications. Reviewing signage, publications, and other pieces for distribution.
- **Summer Facility Preparation** – Prepared details related to facility use shifts for the summer season, including bookable spaces, lab calendar, seating areas, and children's services. Coordinating plans for summer volunteers, including a growing number of teen volunteers.
- **Summer Reading Program** – The Annual Summer Reading Program began Friday, May 22, with 158 patrons currently enrolled.
- **Annual History Center Open House** – This event will be on June 18 from 11am-2pm – features include the museum's newest exhibit (Avalon and its Environment) and a review of the new website/digital platform.
- **Upcoming Outreach** – Preparing for summer outreach opportunities including AHLOA's Community Open House and the Borough's Solstice Festival.
- **Art and Authors on Dune** – The third annual Art and Authors on Dune was held on May 30, kicking off Spring into Summer. This event is a partnership between the Library and the Chamber of Commerce.
- **Avalon Historical Society Olde House Tour** – Coordinated details for the upcoming tour, including the 2026 brochure.
- **Hometown Heroes** – Coordinated details related to the Veterans Banner program and associated brochure.
- **Staff Development** – Held Annual Staff Development sessions. Meetings for the staff SOAR Analysis in support of the 2027-2029 Strategic Plan process began.