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Subject: Re: Letter sent to Minister Ritcey re Hantsport Library closure
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Thank you for the email Ruth. I've copied all councillors on this reply for their information.

Kindest regards.

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On Jun 12, 2026, at 11:15 AM, Glenn Ross wrote:

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Mayor Zebian - a letter sent to Minister Ritcey re closure library in Hantsport.

Dear Minister Ritcey: Minister of Community Affairs
I am a resident of Hantsport and am appalled at the way the Government has without, consultation from us residents, closed our library.(It will be finalized in July)

Our library has been one of the places in this community where many programs were ongoing, pre-school programs access to the Internet, Sr. programs. a place where young people go to play board games, lending of books by residents, a place where one can walk to and from the library, children and parents coming with their children to take a bag of books (which most cannot afford to buy),a gathering where Seniors exchange helpful information, To say we can go to Windsor - gas is a consideration, this is not an option) I also remind you Mr. Ritcey that we have a school here in Hantsport, where children walk to and from school and walk to the library and they are impacted as well as you will see the protest that these students are involved in as well - it is their library too and it will affect them.

On reading the mandate of the Board of the Annapolis Valley Region - my interpretation is that the mandate is not being carried out. I have the mandate before me and cannot see where they are fulfilling their duty.
We have all been reading the confusion between the Gov., the Municipalities and

the Valley Board.

Why was not the public notified of this drastic decision without us taxpayers having this information before the action was taken? We saw that some of the programs were being cut, but to arrive at the library last Wednesday and see

Library closed as we were preparing to participate in a Sr. group meeting, was appalling in a democracy. It has given us zero time to prepare a list of the reasons why and how this would impact our community and to let the Gov.

know why this should not be occurring without consultation and meetings with the public-considering we are taxpayers and live in a democracy.

My final comment is that it appears that The Valley Regional Library Board is not carrying out their mandate and maybe another decision should be made to consider this and perhaps another system could replace a system that is not working for the people in the Annapolis Valley. Respectfully submitted, Ruth Ross, [REDACTED]