

Wilton Public and Gregg Free Library
Trustee Board Public Meeting Minutes
December 15, 2023

The meeting was called to order at 10:05 a.m. at the Wilton Public and Gregg Free Library. Attending were Library Director Jane Nikander and trustees Nikki Andrews, Ron Brown, Peter Howd, Alison Meltzer, Molly Shanklin, Lynne Stone, and Mary Ellen Brookes and alternate trustees Felice Fullam, Bill Langille and Arlene Laurenitis.

Minutes - approved (Peter, Alison)

Treasurer's report - approved (Lynne, Nikki)

1. A W Therrien Company will inspect the roof next week.
2. In order to match the town's 4% salary increase and 1% merit raise, we have increased our 2024 budget by \$3,354.00.

Director's report - approved (Alison, Lynne)

Youth Services report - approved (Ron, Molly)

Facilities

The library has two warrant articles that will be addressed and voted on at the March Town Meeting. Since these articles involve a fairly large expense of funds, the trustees feel a necessity for transparency and for clarification of the need for these funds. We have already invested in an engineering study and have committed money for interior work on the sprinkler system and have done all that we can to comply with the state regulations.

The trustees will meet at the library on Friday, January 5 at 11:00 a.m. to work on a report to distribute to the citizens of Wilton. Before the meeting, Alison will request an update from Hampshire on the cost of the inside work to be done in 2025. We will continue to consult with Chief Nourse.

Second vote for 2024 officers

Moved by Nikki and seconded by Lynne: **that the following be nominated to serve as officers in 2024**

Chair: Alison Meltzer

Vice Chair: Ron Brown

Treasurer: Molly Shanklin

Assistant Treasurer: Peter Howd

Secretary: Mary Ellen Brookes The motion passed. This vote was the second.

Old business

The Friends will attend our regular January meeting.

New business - none

The meeting ended at 11.21 a.m. (Molly, Lynne)

The next regular meeting of the trustees is scheduled for **Friday, January 19, 2024 at 8:00 a.m.** at the library.

The special meeting will be on **Friday, January 5, 2024 at 11:00 a.m** at the library.

Mary Ellen Brookes 1216/23