

Wilton Public and Gregg Free Library
Trustee Board Meeting Minutes
August 16, 2024

The meeting was called to order at 8:05 a.m. at the Wilton Public and Gregg Free Library. Attending were Library Director Jane Nikander, trustees Nikki Andrews, Ron Brown, Alison Meltzer, Molly Shanklin, Lynne Stone, Mary Ellen Brookes, alternate trustee Bill Langille, and Sue Putnam for the Friends. Trustee Arlene Laurenitis and alternate trustee Peter Howd were absent.

Minutes - 7/19 approved (Molly, Lynne)
8/1 amended minutes approved (Bill, Ron)

Treasurer's report - approved (Lynne, Nikki)
Molly said that we are at 53% of the year's budget.

Director's report - approved (Ron, Lynne)

Facilities

Waterline - Ron suggested a notice on the website warning patrons of the work.

Lawn mowing - resolved

Ramp - Bill said that the ramp should be open next week.

Board business

Moved by Nikki and seconded by Lynne: **that Arlene Laurenitis be appointed to full trustee and that Peter Howd be moved to alternate trustee.** The motion passed. This vote was the second.
The board reluctantly accepted Molly Shanklin's resignation as treasurer as of December 1, 2024.

Friends of the Library

Sue stated that the Friends will meet in September to plan for the coming year. New members have been added and the group would like to increase its presence in the town. Bill suggested having a table at voting days this fall.

Strategic planning - communication

We discussed communication both within and outside of the library. What is important? How do the trustees want to get our message to the town?

Two suggestions: 1. full use of the outside message board and 2. flyers for Wilton's real estate agents. Following the trivia success of the Bookies, it was suggested that an occasional trivia question on the outside board might interest people.

Old business - none

New business

1. Budget season is coming.
2. We would like to discuss with the new roofer as to how we can prioritize his suggestions.

9:22 a.m. - Motion made to enter non-public session - (Alison, Ron)

10:02 a.m. - Motion made to exit non-public session and to seal the minutes. (Bill, Lynne) The motion passed.

The meeting ended at 10:02. (Molly, Lynne)

The next regular meeting of the trustees is scheduled for **Friday, September 20 at 8:00 a.m.** at the library.

Mary Ellen Brookes 8/16/24