

Wilton Public and Gregg Free Library
Trustee Board Public Meeting Minutes
March 20, 2026

The meeting was called to order at 8:13 a.m. at the Wilton Public and Gregg Free Library. Attending were Library Director Arefe Koushki, trustees Alison Meltzer, Ron Brown, Mark Worcester, Lynne Stone, Arlene Laurenitis, Nancy Elcock, and alternate Nikki Andrews. Trustee Bill Langille and alternate Bill Ryan were absent.

Minutes (amended): 2/20/26 approved (AL/MW)

Treasurer's Report: approved (RB/LS), unrestricted \$1,000 gift accepted (AM/RB)

Director's Report: approved (AM/LS),

- The Y/A Lego program and the new Yoga class are successful.
- The Easter Egg Hunt will take place on Saturday, April 4, 2026.
- The recently awarded ALA grant provides home delivery services to patrons that are unable to get to the library.

Board Business:

- The revised staff vacation “buy-back” policy of the Personnel Manual was approved.
2nd vote (LS/NE)

- Arlene volunteered herself and Bill Langille to share the position of Vice Chairman of the Board of Trustees, replacing Ron Brown who asked to be replaced. All agreed this was a good solution pending Bill's agreeing with the plan followed by formal Trustee votes.

Facilities:

- The partial roof replacement will be scheduled.

Old Business:

- Mark continues to coordinate details of local bank change.
- Updates on Semi Quincentennial include plans for Library Programs “*Redcoats and Rebels*”, a colonial cooking demonstration (5/5), the story of a mystery Patriot soldier, Pomp Russell, a black soldier who fought with the Wilton regiment but was never recognized on our War Monument (5/6), and a visit by the Polic Chief and his popular dog, Dora (5/7). A table amid the Main Street fun will highlight ongoing library programs as well as summer library activities. Staff will also use this event to as an opportunity to sign up new patrons for library cards. Flags and balustrade bunting and eye-popping planters will highlight the outside of our beautiful building.

New Business:

- TruckFest will be 5/31/26. The event will be at WLC. Main Street and the Library will be co-sponsoring the event. The Library will have a table highlighting activities and opportunities at the Library this summer.

Nikki Andrews left the meeting at 9:10. The meeting was adjourned at 9:40 (AM/LS).

The next regular meeting of the trustees is scheduled for Friday, April 17, at 8:00 a.m. at the Library.

Respectfully submitted,
Nancy Elcock
March 24, 2026