

Wilton Public and Gregg Free Library
Trustee Board Public Meeting Minutes
August 21, 2026

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 a.m. at the Wilton Public and Gregg Free Library. Attending were Library Director Arefe Koushki, trustees Alison Meltzer, Bill Langille, Lynne Stone, Mark Worcester, Arlene Laurenitis, Nancy Elcock, and alternates Ron Brown and Nikki Andrews. Tom Schultz attended as Chair of the Select Board.

Minutes (amended): 7/17/2026 minutes approved (Bill Langille/Mark Worcester) Alison Meltzer abstained.

Treasurer's report: approved (Bill Langille/Arlene Laurenitis)

- Mark reports that the Citizen's Bank accounts are up and running. Bill, ~~and~~ Arlene, and Alison will be added as signatories.

Director's report: approved (Lynne Stone/Bill Langille)

- Arefe followed up her initial report on a disruptive visitor. Problems with non- and poorly- functioning equipment will be fixed. Appropriate emergency training for staff is underway and will be ongoing.

- Participation in the (kids') summer reading program was up 40% over last year. The summer reading program for adults (inaugural program) had 16 participants. Arefe thanked the Friends of the Library for their steady support.

- The ALA grant was received. The funds will specifically be spent to make the library including the website more accessible to people with disabilities.

Board Business:

- Alison confirmed non-profit status with state is complete.
- The second vote for Chris Owen as alternate trustee passed (Bill Langille/Lynne Stone).
- A motion to accept Tom Schultz as Chair of the Select Board as a trustee passed. (Bill Langille/Alison Meltzer; Arlene Laurenitis abstained).
- Mark will set up the Cambridge Trust review meeting.

Facilities:

- A Zoom meeting with Y/A room design team is set for 9/3/26.
- Telephone problems continue. (Since solved by Library Director.)
- The feasibility and costs of installing automatic door openers will be investigated.

Old Business:

- Tom will join in efforts to get all passwords from Kermit.
- Bill will investigate whether the heat pumps for the A/C can help with heating.

New Business:

The meeting was adjourned at 9:20 a.m. (Bill Langille/Lynne Stone)

The next regular meeting of the trustees is scheduled for Friday, September 18 at 8:00 a.m. at the Library.

Respectfully submitted,
Nancy Elcock
August 24, 2026