

Wilton Public and Gregg Free Library
Trustee Board Public Meeting Minutes
July 21, 2023

The meeting was called to order at 8:07 a.m. at the Wilton Public and Gregg Free Library. Attending were Library Director Jane Nikander, and trustees Ron Brown, Peter Howd, Alison Meltzer, Molly Shanklin, Lynne Stone, and Mary Ellen Brookes and alternate trustees Felice Fullam, Bill Langille, and Arlene Laurenitis. Trustee Nikki Andrews was absent.

Before referring to the agenda, Ron formally informed Jane of the trustees' support of the staff during the unease caused by the area's first amendment audits.

Minutes - 6/16 minutes approved Lynne, Peter)

Treasurer's report - approved (Ron, Peter)

Moved by Molly and seconded by Lynne: **that we accept an unrestricted gift of \$75.00.** The motion passed.

Cambridge Trust has scheduled the annual review for our October 20 meeting.

Director's report - approved (Ron, Alison)

1. Reservations are required for the August 3 celebration of Gary Crooker's book.
2. Work is needed on the outside ramp. We will discuss at a later meeting.

Youth Services report - approved (Ron, Molly)

Facilities planning

Ron asked us to consider what we want for a product. Molly mentioned that time span must be part of the results, coordinating improvements with the budget cycle. Alison stated that LCHIP's Annual Monitoring Report gives good guidance. We can use it as a baseline and follow with individual evaluations. Molly, referring to a historical resources monitoring report, reminded us that fire laws rule in code compliance. Ron said that we must update our list of capital improvement projects.

The discussion moved to specific items: safe egress (Should a door be removed? Bill will check.), painting the desktop in the Director's office (It will be done in September.), and the large amount of work and expense related to installing the sprinkler system. Molly will research grants.

Old business - none

New business

The trustees proposed that a program on first amendment audits be held for the general public.

The meeting ended at 9:54 a.m. (Molly, Lynne).

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

Mary Ellen Brookes 7/21/23