



Board of Trustees  
Meeting Minutes  
Tuesday April 15, 2025 1 PM

Monthly meeting called to order at 1:00pm. In attendance Trustees Natalie Gallo, Veronica Shelley, Al Cipriano, Bob O'Brien, Theresa McTammany; Friends Liaison Carol Cipriano; Director Kate Thomas; Minutes Emily Wentworth.

Visitor comments and questions- none.

Friends of the Library Update- The thrift shop completed a renovation including new flooring and lights, all materials and labor were donated. Despite being closed a few days for the work they still made \$1,711 in the last month.

1. Approve minutes from the March 18 and March 19, 2025 meetings. Motion to approve minutes from both the March 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> meetings made by Theresa, seconded by Al, all in favor.
2. Director's Report- Kate gave her director's report.
  - a. Stats- 266 items were lent and 358 borrowed using the interlibrary loan system so far this year.
  - b. Status of bills in process that could affect libraries. As of today, there is no new news of whether our state library funding will be cut off or not. Libraries continue to spread awareness of potential impacts, and urge residents to contact their representatives. HB273, which affects parents' access to minors' accounts and privacy, and HB666, which proposes that librarians be penalized if the existence of a library account is disclosed, are two bills that are going to the senate.
3. Treasurer's Report
  - a. Budget- building maintenance remains high as discussed last month. The heat budget line is at 47.75% from the cold spring, it is difficult to predict how much heat will be needed.
  - b. Quarterly reports from investments- 24 Wealth ending account value is \$75,093.16 for a 6.68% loss for the quarter. 20 of the 24 accounts in the portfolio show negative results. The Edward Jones account ended at \$45,845.68 for a 1.41% loss for the quarter. 7 of the 11 accounts showed minor gains.
4. Old Business
  - a. Review of Volunteer Policy and agreement- Kate and Merrily rewrote the Volunteer policy with input from the town attorney. Ronnie suggested that "criminal investigation" be edited to "criminal background check".



5. New Business

- a. Investment Policy- Kate made some edits to the policy such as removing a repealed RSA that was referenced. She will continue to get input from the trustees as well as the town attorney.
  - b. Sealed minutes update from Bob- Bob reviewed the sealed minutes and determined 10 documents that should be unsealed. He shared these with Ronnie for her review, and if she agrees with Bob, their recommendations will be presented to the Board for final approval at the next meeting on May 20, 2025. If approved by the Board, the minutes will be made public.
6. Donations by groups or individuals. Motion to approve all donations made by Bob, seconded by Ronnie, all in favor.
- a. Acceptance of donations in memory
  - b. Money in donation jar
  - c. Books, audios & videos from various individuals
  - d. Donations by groups or individuals
7. Correspondence- Letter of interest from Donna Capern to serve as Alternate Trustee. The Selectboard appointed her as alternate trustee. Motion to accept Donna as alternate trustee made by Natalie, seconded by Ronnie, all in favor.
8. Meeting adjourned: Motion to adjourn made by Theresa, seconded by AI, all in favor. Meeting adjourned at 2:23pm.

Next meeting Tuesday May 20, 2025 at 1PM