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Barrington Public Library Board of Trustees
Regular Meeting Minutes – July 21, 2026
BPL Program Room – 5:30 PM

The regular meeting of the Barrington Public Library Board of Trustees was called to order at 5:30 PM by Chair Melanie Haley.

Roll Call

Trustees Present: Karolina Bodner, Robert Drew, Melanie Haley, Richard Compagnone, Diane Madariaga, and Debbie Dadey, Alternate. Ezra Hodgson, and Lydia Cupp were absent. Staff Present: Library Director Lydia Goodwin. Guests: Dannen Mannschreck, Select Board Liaison.

Public Comments

Discussion regarding the abundance of programming at the library this summer.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the June 30, 2026, meeting were approved as presented.

Acceptance of Donations

A motion made by Robert Drew and seconded by Diane Madariaga to accept \$6858.00 in donations was approved.

Treasurer's Report

A motion made by Richard Compagnone seconded by Diane Madariaga to accept the Treasurer's Report was approved.

Select Board Liaison Report

Dannen Mannschreck reported no new updates. Discussed the budget presentation process and the ABC reviewing the town budget as a whole beginning in October.

Director's Report

Director Lydia Goodwin, provided an update on Tori reducing her hours by five hours a week for a total of 15 hours beginning the week of August 3rd. Peter rescheduled the roof work for

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next Thursday, July 30th. Estimates are being sought for window cleaning, carpet cleaning, generator maintenance, and weeding the white rocks that surround the perimeter of the library building. Discussion regarding the Director's presentation to the CIP Committee. Director will amend the presentation to include maintenance costs to the proposal. Discussion about the purchase of six barcode scanners to be funded out of the Library Technology Capital Reserve Account in the amount of \$582.00. The five year Tech Plan developed by the Director in 2025, budgeted \$600.00. A motion was made by Robert Drew and seconded by Richard Compagnone to approve the purchase of six barcode scanners to be funded from the Library Technology Capital Reserve Account

Old Business

Fencing Project

Robert Drew reported that the fencing has been ordered. The vendor received the first payment from the library trustees. The project is expected to be completed hopefully before Labor Day.

Review of Closed Meeting Minutes

Karolina will be meeting with Municipal Association. They will lend support for helping unseal non-public minutes.

New Business

Susan Frankel has expressed an interest in becoming an alternate trustee. Melanie will reach out to let Susan Frankel know that the news of her wanting to return to the Board received overwhelming approval from the trustees and others in the room.

Foundation/Friends Report

Melanie will attend the next Foundation meeting and the next Friends meeting. Melanie reported for Lydia Cupp that she received approval from the Master Gardener's for her sensory garden project.

Motions and Votes

1. A motion was made by Robert Drew and seconded by Richard Compagnone to approve the meeting minutes from the June 30, 2026, Trustee Meeting-passed.
2. Accept Donations: A motion made by Robert Drew and seconded by Diane Madariaga to accept the \$6858.00 donations-passed.
3. Treasurer's Report: A motion was made by Richard Compagnone and seconded by Diane Madariaga to approve the treasurer's report-passed.
4. Director's Report: A motion made by Karolina Bodner and seconded by Richard Compagnone to accept the Director's Report as written-passed.
5. A motion was made by Robert Drew and seconded by Richard Compagnone to approve the purchase of six barcode scanners to be funded from the Library Technology Capital Reserve Account in the amount of \$582.00 -passed.

Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for August 18, 2026, at 5:30 PM in the BPL Program Room.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 5:58 PM following a motion made by Diane Madariaga and seconded by Karolina Bodner.

Minutes Prepared By

Melanie Haley and Lydia Goodwin July 21, 2026.