

**Wardsboro Public Library
Trustee Meeting Minutes
January 22, 2026**

Meeting called to order: 7:01

Trustees present: Donna Fernandes, Mark Fernandes, Steve Herd, Lizzie Ingraham, Sheri Lewis, Marty Loftus, Karina Martin (via zoom), Patty Rappozzo

No members of the public.

Changes or additions to the agenda: New business: discuss time frame discussion limits for both old and new business.
Approval of the special meeting minutes.

Treasurer's Report: Marty presented an overview of the current budget which was followed by discussion and finalization of the 2026- 2027 budget. We have not yet received a copy of our insurance policy from Town Hall.

Library Directors Report: The new online resource for books, Libby, cost \$600.00 to onload. An announcement of this new service offering will be in the latest addition of the Bucketville News. The Easter egg hunt is scheduled for April 4, 2026 from 12:30 to 1;30 at the library.

Old Business:

New Volunteer committee update: Patty R presented a summary of the sub committee library volunteer meeting .

A meeting will be held on January 28, 2026 at 4:00 inviting current volunteers to discuss some of the ideas to get more volunteers to help with fundraisers and other library functions. All volunteers are welcome.

A follow up meeting is planned for March 24, 2026 at 5:00.

Patty R wrote an article outlining some of these ideas that is to be submitted to the BVN. It was reviewed by all trustees. Marty L made a motion to accept the volunteer committee's plan and article as written and approved it for submission to the BVN. A second was made by Sherri L. Motion was passed unanimously.

A brief discussion was had about the state of the storage area upstairs and agreed that the area needs to be cleaned up and organized.

Finalization of Budget. After much review and discussion of the current budget, Donna F made a motion to accept the proposed budget to the town of \$30,024.00. A second was made by Patty R. The motion passed unanimously. This represents a deficit without appropriations or grants.

Input for town plan update. Lizzie I is writing an update for the town plan.

Special meeting minutes approval. Patty R made a motion to approve the special meeting minutes from January 8, 2026. Sheri L seconded. Minutes approved unanimously.

Next meeting: to be held February 19, 2026

Adjournment: Patty R made a motion to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 8:58

Submitted January 23, 2026 Donna Fernandes (pending)