

APPROVED

Barnet Public Library Board of Trustees Meeting

October 9th, 2025

Meeting was called to order at 7:04 pm.

In Attendance:

Linda Cochran, Hillary Cohen, Becca Pedersen, Jackie Verley, and Sue Wood.

Agenda:

No additions or deletions to the agenda.

Board Meeting Minutes:

Special Meeting Sept 4th minutes and September minutes were reviewed and approved.

Board Chair Report:

Jackie will let Anea Lelong-Douglas know that the library board is supportive of the garden tour next summer, but that there will be several large events happening with the library and the board members' capacity to assist with the planning of the garden tour will be very limited.

Treasurer's Report:

The treasurer distributed copies of this month's budget and had no comments. The treasurer's report was approved.

Librarian's Report:

- We discussed finding a few more people who are able to substitute at the library as needed.
- Trunk or Treat is coming up soon! The PTF and school will be collaborating as well, the school and bathrooms will be open.
- The school will be using the library on five Fridays for student leadership workshops this winter/spring.
- Kids have been coming after school on the bus.
- Dylan has been having more conversations about the details of the humanities exhibit with Vermont Humanities.

Art at the Library Update:

- Sunday (Oct 12) will be the Play Every Town concert at the Barnet School. Posters are up advertising the performance, flyers will be going home with students at the Barnet School, and it was announced at the senior meal site.
- Susan taught the aging textiles class, there were about nine participants. There will be a second part to the class in the winter, and the Barnet Historical Society would like to collaborate.

- Annette will do wreath making again this year, potentially at the end of November.
- Becky Boardman will do a paper crafting class in March.
- Sherri Schenck will do a felting class in May.
- Potential to invite local author Clarissa and her daughter Casey to read their children's book "I Appreciate Your Resilience."

Monthly Tasks:

- Edward Jones Annual Review
 - We reviewed the balance and discussed the amount that will be used for the new shelving.
- Annual Appeal
 - We reviewed the letter draft and discussed logistics of getting the letters printed and sent out.

New Business:

None

Old/Continuing Business:

- The shelving is ordered (purple, as the hunter green was unavailable). Jackie will contact Edward Jones to send the payment.
- Internet Provider
 - No update
- Gifts Policy Updates
 - No update
- T shirt Fundraiser
 - No update
- Library Railing
 - No update

The meeting was adjourned at 7:31 pm.

Next meeting will be on November 13th, 2025 at 7:00pm. Meetings are held on the second Thursday of every month, with the exceptions of December and July.

Respectfully submitted,

Hillary Cohen, Secretary