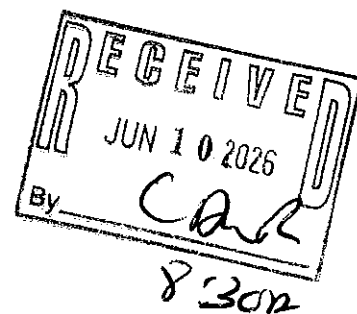


Thomaston Public Library
Library Board of Trustees
June 3, 2026
Thomaston Public Library



Attendance: Melanie Dobos, Kate Sileo, Debi April, Katherine Turner, Joe Calabro, Barbara Lee, Michelle Brady, Shanelle Dupre

Not in Attendance: Kathleen Reynolds, Patrick Hyres, Phyllis Nardella, Allyn Manning

Call to order: 6:01PM

Approval of minutes: Motion to accept the May 2026, minutes by Michele, seconded by Kathy. Motion passed unanimously

Communications: none

Public Comment: none

Grant Summary Discussed grant monies, specifically shelving grant monies. We did receive some shelving via donations so we can use the monies from the grant to purchase bases for our current shelves. We are getting a quote on the additional equipment needed. We have some grant monies for bathroom improvements as well as programming. We purchased about \$3000 on bathroom improvements which still need to be installed. We have \$6000 of grant monies left for paint, installation and drywall work. This work should be done this fall. There are other grants from rotary (\$500) which we have yet to spend and \$750 for tree/shrub replacement which may not be enough. Amy will work with the beautification committee on options. There was discussion about pavers for the side of the building on the parking lot side. Regarding the checking account monies we have used some of the bequest money placed in this account for Hoopla as well as children's books. Amy will get a more precise accounting to us soon.

Directors Report: Motion to accept by Michele, seconded by Debi. Motion passed unanimously

Treasurer's Report: Motion to accept by Debi, seconded by Kathy. Discussion: We are going to use the remaining maintenance monies and some of the professional and technical services to fix our electrical box issue. We are under budget on some line items this fiscal year and we will use some to offset this electrical expense. Motion to pass was unanimous.

Committee Reports:

Steering: none

Maintenance: none

Budget: none

Personnel: Policy and procedure manual is being edited by the HR department at Town Hall. This should be done by our next meeting. Discussion about holiday hours. Melanie will work further on questions discussed.

Bylaws: none

Long-range planning: Meeting is June 23, 2026, at 6:30 at Lena Morton. The link is on the library website.

Old Business: We continue to work on shelving alternatives. We should come under budget on these items. OSHA clean up; the racks and bins have been ordered, and Melissa has been working on cleaning up the children's area. The conference room clean up has begun. Amy has been removing and moving books. Once this is cleaned up there will be new shelving needed and perhaps some paint. Bathroom projects discussed above. Amy will get some quotes for the work. A motion to approve monies for the third door counter was discussed. Amy stated she needs \$300 more to purchase the final counter. Motion made to provide additional funds by Debi, second by Kate. Motion passed unanimously.

New Business: Discussion to add August meeting to board meeting made by Michele and second by Barbara. Discussion ensued. Motion passed six to one (Kate).

Committee Designations and Leads as follows:

Maintenance: Patrick

Budget: Kate

Steering: Allyn

Bylaws: Michele

Personnel: Debi

Long Range Planning: Kathy and Joe Co Chair

Motion to accept the committee chairs as presented by Debi, second by Kathy. Motion passed unanimously.

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn made by Debi, second by Shanelle. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 7:20PM

Respectfully submitted,
Kate Siteo, Secretary