

Stamford Community Library
Trustees Meeting Minutes 12-16-25

Call to order at 5:05 p.m. by Linda Rodovick, chair

Present: Amy Johns, Caroline Burch, Linda Rodovick, and Tyna Senecal, Danielle Smith, ex-officio, and Jan Johns.

Minutes

Senecal motioned to approve the Nov. 20, 2025 minutes, second by Rodovick. All in favor. Motion carried.

Addition to agenda

Senecal asked that an executive session be added to the meeting. Burch moved to add it, Rodovick seconded. Motion passed.

Librarian's Report (on file)

In addition to the report, there was follow-up discussion:

- ~ J. Johns has been weeding picture books. She suggested putting an announcement on All-Information Stamford and any other local social media that free books are available during library hours. Trustees agreed.
- ~ Trustees concur it would be great to have Davis Bates perform sometime during the winter.
- ~ Discussion about the ongoing challenges of effectively getting the word out with follow-up reminders about library programs. Everyone agrees that it will take time to build consistent attendance.
- ~ J. Johns brought up maintenance of the library entryway, which has been inconsistently cleared. Library staff should not be responsible for shoveling/de-icing. Smith will talk with Principal Julie for confirmation about custodian's duties regarding this.

Treasurer's Report (on file)

Senecal is frustrated that by Dec. 13, she had still not received November's statement from TD Bank and needed to get a printout in person in Williamstown. The library is now the only town entity that is still with TD Bank. The town has transitioned to Adams Community Bank and trustees are fine with going to ACB as well. Senecal noted it makes the most sense to make the change at year's end. The main challenge is that after the library accounting comes under town auspices, designating to Lori where each expense should be allocated can be complicated when submitting multiple-item receipts. Senecal said a protocol could be established to address this.

Budget Review

Trustees did initial review for budget draft, which Senecal will go over with Lori.

Final budget is due Jan. 16.

Final town report narrative is due Jan. 23

Executive Session

Rodovick motioned to enter into executive session at 6:12, seconded by Burch. Motion passed. Entered 6:12.

Rodovick motioned to exit executive session, seconded by Johns. Motion passed. Exited 6:50.

Johns moved to approve salaries as discussed in executive session. Rodovick seconded. Motion passed.

The next meeting will be Thursday, Jan. 8, 2026, at 5:00.

Johns motioned to adjourn, Rodovick seconded. Motion carried and meeting adjourned at 6:57 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Caroline Burch, secretary

~ Recording of this meeting is available at the library for the next month. ~