

Wallingford Celebrates America's 250th

Special Meeting

April 14, 2026

Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 8:30 a.m.

Those in attendance were Kenny Michaels, Renee Miller, Liz Landow, Bob Beaumont, Jerry Farrell, Jr. Bob Beaumont, Alison Cady, Tara Knapp, and Roz Gallagher.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were accepted as presented.

Bob Beaumont gave the financial report.

It was suggested the Mayor be asked to prepare a Proclamation to be read at the Flag Day Ceremony on June 18th. After the event it could possibly be stored at the Historical House.

Tara gave an update on having an outdoor Family Movie Night which would be held on the Parade Grounds on the night of Friday, June 18, 2026. The estimated cost was \$3000.00. Tara will get additional details for the next meeting.

A meeting will be arranged with Captain Colavolpe to review every event with needs, street closures, etc. by the Wallingford Police Department.

Liz Landow is waiting for the cost for the Emerald Society bagpipe group.

Roz will contact Colin Benard regarding signs with a QR code for the Walking Tour on June 19th. She will also ask him about the strip that is needed to update the lawn signs and the 3' x 5' signs for display in Yalesville.

Renee reported she currently has 42 units signed up for the Parade. Parking locations and group/organization locations were discussed. She stated a minimum of 25 volunteers will be needed at Dutton Park to manage the line up, etc.

It was agreed we should order 100 shirts to be given to volunteers at the Parade, Family Day, and other events. Liz offered to make the order.

Alison suggested possibly having our logo in water soluble paint along the Parade route and the intersection of Center and North/South Main Streets. This will be included in the discussion with Captain Colavolpe.

Tara reported that all the information for the Wallingford Magazine has been submitted.

A discussion took place regarding the sale of merchandise at the Garden Market. Roz and Liz will do May 9th, Tara May 16th, and Alison May 23rd. Volunteers are need for the Saturdays that follow.

Liz will order 3000 additional coasters for the restaurants so they have them for the Restaurant Hop May 14th.

It was reported that Rich Ruggiero has volunteered to orchestrate the Car Show for on South Main Street for Saturday after the Parade. Times will be 2:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Alison and Tara discussed possibly using "Sign Up Genius" online for anyone interested in being a volunteer. Roz will also contact the Wallingford Rotary Club.

The next meeting date was sety for Tuesday, April 28, 2026 at 8:30 a.m. at Le Jardin.

With no further business to discuss the meeting was adourned.

Respectfully submitted:

Roz Gallagher