

Wallingford Celebrates America's 250th

Special Meeting

June 5, 2026

Minutes

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

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

The Minutes from the previous meeting were accepted as presented.

Bob Beaumont gave a financial update.

The Committee agreed to engage the Ancient Mariners in the Parade and to have John Rozz provide music along the Parade route.

It was agreed we will distribute free ice cream at the end of the Parade to all who participated.

It was agreed to distribute free pizza at the Block Dance. Several area pizza outlets will be contacted to prepare and deliver the pizza. We will have volunteers hand it out.

Jerry gave an update on the in person Walking Tour for June 19th.

Tara agreed to have a thank you sign made and installed on the Parade Grounds.

Alison volunteered to have the flyer she prepared to notify North Main Street residents and businesses of the street closure distributed by her summer interns.

Joe gave an update on the Elks Lodge Flag Day ceremony which will be in the Town Hall Council Chambers on June 18th. He and Bob Beaumont will contact Tom Caneschi about it being on Public Television. Roz will contact Colin Benard for 50 hand held flags which we will distribute to the audience at the ceremony.

It was agreed that Roz will ask John Rozz to announce each unit in the Parade as it passes the intersection of Simpson Court and North Main Streets.

Kenny gave an update on the placement of the port o lets for the Parade, Family Day, Movie Night, and the Block Dance.

Renee stated she will be at Dutton Park at 7:30 a.m. June 20th to begin setting up and organizing the Parade. She will also be having a virtual meeting for/with all volunteers.

Tara will contact Kyle Swartz about having each day's events on the Town website on the day they occur.

Tara also brought a sample of the "selfie frames" we will make available to everyone.

The next meeting date was set for Friday, June 12, 2026 at 8:00 a.m. at Le Jardin.

With no further business to discuss the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted:

Roz Gallagher