

Wallingford Celebrates America's 250th

Special Meeting

July 14, 2026

Le Jardin Cafe
88 North Main Street
Wallingford, CT. 06492

MINUTES

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

Those in attendance were Tara Knapp, Liz Landow, Bob Beaumont, Jerry Farrell, Jr., Bob Devaney, Renee Miller, and Roz Gallgher

Minutes from the previous meeting were approved as presented.

Bob Beaumont gave a financial update. He reported the costs for the ice cream truck for the Fireworks and Liberty Tree Day have to be added to our expenses.

A brief discussion took place with suggestions being made for possible uses of any remaining funds once all expenses have been paid. The discussion/decision was deferred to September or October after all events have been completed and all invoices have been paid.

Bob Devaney and Bob Beaumont gave an outline of what has been planned for the Liberty Tree planting August 14, 2026. Present will be a musket team, Yalesville Fife and Drum Corp, possibly Lancraft Fife and Drum Corp, the Governor's Foot Guard, and 2nd Company Foot Guard. Pastor Jeffrey Birch from the First Congregational Church will give the invocation. Bob Devaney will offer a greeting. Renee offered to contact State and local dignitaries to attend. Bob Beaumont will give a brief history of the tree, Music will include the Liberty Tree song and Thomas Paine's Liberty Tree poem will be read. Tara will prepare a flyer and contact Kyle to have it on the Town Face Book page. Bob Beaumont and Bob Devaney will prepare the program to be handed out. Renee also volunteered to contact Lyman Orchards to see if it would donate donuts and cider for event refreshments.

The next meeting date was set for Wednesday, August 5, 2026 at 8:30 a.m. at Le Jardin.

The meeting adjourned at 9:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Roz Gallagher