

Nashua Public Library Board of Trustees

April 7, 2026

7:00 PM

MINUTES

A meeting of the Nashua Public Library Board of Trustees was held Tuesday, April 7, 2026, scheduled at 7:00 PM at the Nashua Public Library, 2 Court Street, Nashua, NH, 03060

1. Call to Order

Chairman Laflamme called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

2. Attendance

Present: Linda Laflamme, John Kennedy, Scott Jaquith, Padmaja Kunapareddy, Ernest Jette, Patricia Dresner, Kristin Kane, Library Director Jennifer McCormack, Assistant Library Director Jenn Hosking.

3. Public Comment

None.

4. Approval of bills and trust fund requests

Motion by Ms. Kane, seconded by Mr. Kennedy, to approve payment of the March bills from the regular budget for \$41,589.69 and the fines budget for \$54.71.

Vote: Yes 7, No 0

Motion: PASSED

5. Approval of minutes from previous meeting

Motion by Mr. Jaquith, seconded by Ms. Kunapareddy, to approve the March 3, 2026 regular meeting minutes.

Vote: Yes 7, No 0

Motion: PASSED

6. Friends of the Library presentation

Judy Blachek, Friends of the Library President, presented an overview of the organization's purpose, accomplishments and impact on the library. The Board thanked all the volunteers that have dedicated time and energy to achieve the successes they have.

7. Renovation project update

Director McCormack indicated all interviews for the owner's project manager, design services and construction manager have concluded. The first meeting of the Joint Special Committee is the next step and will hopefully be scheduled before the May trustee meeting. At this meeting, the interview committee will recommend a selection for each of the three services. The schematic design is estimated to be completed in the next couple of months. It is estimated the next phase of design will cost approximately \$3 million. One million in funds is already secured through last year's bond process and is available to support the next phase.

The plaza renovation will not begin this fall due to the pace of the building renovation project. Funding for the plaza renovation is secured for 10 years.

8. New Business

Chairman Laflamme shared contract negotiations with the union will begin next Wednesday, April 15th.

Director McCormack brought forth two candidates to fill the temporary, part-time library assistant positions.

Motion by Mr. Jaquith, seconded by Ms. Dresner, to approve the hire of Jessica Loksh and Irma Elizabeth Palacios in the role of part-time library assistant at the rate of \$20.44/hour through July 31, 2026.

Vote: Yes 7, No 0

Motion: PASSED

The Board discussed resources to add to the library trustee page of the library's website.

9. Adjourn

Motion by Mr. Kennedy, seconded by Ms. Kane to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 PM.

Vote: Yes 7, No 0

Motion: PASSED

Attest: