

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE  
HAUPPAUGE PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
December 1, 2025  
Hauppauge Public Library**

**Present**

Mr. Steve Bard  
Ms. Barbara Leventhal  
Ms. Nayana Mehta  
Mr. Ralph Plotke  
Mr. John White  
Mr. Matthew Bollerman, Chief Executive Officer

Mr. White called the Meeting to Order at 7:00 p.m.

**Chief Executive Officer's Report**

The CEO outlined the work performed to date on a purpose for developing the acre the Library owns at Hidden Pond Park. This included the latest timeline with the Town's efforts to terminate the use agreement of our property.

**New Business**

A discussion of what the purpose of having space at Hidden Pond Park ensued. All the Board members shared their ideas and discussed a place to begin. In reviewing the drawings RDA Landscape Architecture prepared as part of their bid for services, consensus on how to proceed was reached.



The Board would like the plan to include the initial focus to be on the southern part of the property, namely the green area that includes the pavilion and natural seating. The pavilion may need some additional professional assistance, Will Recce at SCC was mentioned, in addition to some storage and possibly the location of any necessary utilities. Moving north on the property, less intensive paths, meaning something other than paving or block, could define a walking path. Other features will wait on our understanding of how the space gets used. Bathrooms on our site came up as an issue throughout the conversation. Options include: not providing anything until use patterns emerge, providing temporary/portable options either for a season or event basis, exploring access to existing structures for effluent at park, or designing a system on our site for construction now or in the future.

**Period for Public Expression**

None

**General Discussion**

None

Motion to adjourn at 8:18 p.m. (Mehta, Plotke) passed 5-0.