

**Sherman Township**  
**Library Board Meeting**

January 12, 2011

The meeting of the Sherman Township Library Board was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Pres. Shirley Thompson.

**Board members:**

Present: Teresa Clark, Keven Johnson, Shirley Thompson, Diane Benn, Anne Cook, Carole Merwin.

Absent:: none

**Public Comment:**

None.

**Old Business:**

Teresa moved and Shirley seconded the minutes be approved as presented. Motion carried

Each board member received library board business cards with library mailing and Web site addresses.

Boxes of books were donated to the library to be used as needed – to shelve or to sell.

Joining the White Pine Co-op was discussed. Our dues would be one state aid check with no additional fees. Other co-ops have additional charges. Shirley moved and Carole seconded we join White Pine Co-op. Motion carried. They will be notified by mail of our decision.

A list of current magazines was compiled and the renewal of some was discussed.

Funding for board training, hiring staff, renewing magazines, purchasing a check out system was discussed. We are waiting for clarification on the dispersal of tax monies and establishing a library account. We were told we cannot spend any money until April 1. Bills accrued before we have any funding are illegal by twp/state law.

**New Business:**

The board submitted available dates for training. Shirley will contact the White Pine Library Co-Op/ Bryon Sitler for training our library board members.

It was decided that we add our home phone numbers to our business cards to enable the public to contact us. All our phone numbers and the Web site address will be posted on the library window.

Clark Historical Library in Mt. Pleasant has a grant to microfilm local histories. We will submit the Weidman Messengers to be done and ask for a CD for use at our library.

Diane will compile, prepare and frame histories of the people pictured in the Library entryway.

The board discussed the impact of other townships joining the Sherman Twp. Library. State requirements would change according to the number of patrons serviced. Funding would change. These are issues to be discussed at the board trainings done by White Pine Co-Op.

April 15, 2011 appears to be the expected funding date. We shall need a budget for such items as; rent, utilities, phone, snow removal, Internet costs, check out system costs, salaries, summer reading programs, etc.

The next scheduled library board meeting will be Feb.9<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 at the library.

Shirley moved, Keven seconded that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Benn, Sec.  
Sherman Twp. Library Board