

**Seymour Public Library Board of Directors  
Regular Meeting Minutes  
Thursday, January 15, 2026 at 6 PM  
Location: In Person, Seymour Public Library**

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DATE: 1/21/26  
TIME: 3:42 PM  
TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE

**In Attendance: Joyce Koslowski, Lauren Demko, Alex Danka, Suzanne Garvey (Library Director). Absent – Paula Chapla, Jean Uhelsky Public represented by one person.**

**1.) Call to Order –**

Lauren Demko, vice-chair, called the meeting to order at 6:04PM with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**2.) Minutes from December 2025 Meeting**

No discussion

Motion to approve: Joyce Koslowski

Seconded: Alex Danka

Vote 3:0:0 approved

**3.) Approval of the monthly Treasurer's Report from November 2025**

Joyce questioned the cost of the holiday decorations. Alex explained the circumstances of the purchase.

Motion to approve and accept: Alex Danka

Seconded: Joyce Kozlowski

Vote: 3:0:0 Approved

**4.) Library Director's Monthly Report**

**5.) No Comments**

**6.) Public Comment –** Patron representing the public has checked with local schools regarding design options for the interior of the library. She hasn't had any success.

**7.) Renovation Discussion for lobby – Tabled**

**7-a)** Alex made a motion to set up an exploratory group made up with himself, Tim Connors the Seymour Town & Building facilities director, and the library director. This planning group will report back to the Board on findings.

Discussion will come to the table.

Motion to approve and accept: Alex Danka

Seconded: Joyce Kozlowski

Vote: 3:0:0 Approved

**8.) Town Finance Budget –** Director prepared budget passed to Board members for review. Library Director is asking for the expected line items plus two part-time staff. She would also like to have the library open on Mondays.

Motion to approve and accept budget submission to Town: Alex Danka

Seconded: Joyce Kozlowski

Vote: 3:0:0 Approved

**9.) February Spending** – reviewed.

Motion to approve and accept: Alex Danka

Seconded: Joyce Kozlowski

Vote: 3:0:0 Approved

**10.) Public Comment** – Patron generally likes and uses the library. Someone has mentioned to her concern regarding a missing clock on the wall in the entrance.

**11.) Library Board of Directors Group Discussion** – The deposit check for the gutter repair has been deposited.

Suzanne has added a paragraph to the Patron Behavior Policy for Board Vote. The paragraph added is regarding the Library closing times. Some patrons do not wish to leave at the posted times.

Motion to approve and accept new wording: Alex Danka

Seconded: Joyce Kozlowski

Vote: 3:0:0 Approved

**12.) Adjournment** - 6:40pm

**SPL Library Director's December 2026- compiled 1/15/2026**

**October- Closed Columbus Day**

People in the Building- Counter: 3212

Circulation- Adults: 1999

Children: 1664

DVDS: 320

Total Circulation All Areas: 5295

Computers: 225

**November Closed Veteran's Day, Thanksgiving, Day After**

People in the Building- Counter: 2871

Circulation- Adults: 1768

Children: 1382

DVDS: 333

Total Circulation All Areas: 4843

Computers: 177

**December – Closed Dec. 24. Dec. 25. Dec. 26 & Dec. 27 for snow. Half day closed on Dec. 31**

People in the Building- Counter: 2699

Circulation- Adults: 1830

Children: 1599

DVDS: 358

Total Circulation All Areas: 5119

Computers: 176

**Building- Something has to be done about the kitchen and staff lounge which is too cold for staff to eat in. Alex will come to the library to check the lack of heat in the kitchen and staff lounge.**

### **Programs December**

**Juvenile 12 programs 131 Participation**

**Rebecca's scavenger hunts are very popular- 141 December**

**Adults: 8 programs 149 attendance**

### **February Library Spending**

**Adult Books- 2500.00 @ 138 books**

**Juvenile Books- 800 @ 110 books**

**YA- 250 @ 21 books**

**DVD-400 @ 24 DVDS**

**Total- 3950.00 same**

**Juvenile 14 programs 119 Participation**

**Rebecca's scavenger hunts are very popular- 123 November**

**Adults: 6 programs 55 attendance**

### **January Library Spending**

**Adult Books – 2500.00 @ 138 books**

**Juvenile Books – 800 @ 110 books**

**YA – 250 @ 21 books**

**DVD – 400 @ 24 DVDS**

**Total- 3950.00**

**Prepared by Robin Shaw – January 19, 2026**

**The Next Meeting of the Seymour Public Library Board of Directors will be on Thursday, February 19, 2026**