

*Minutes for Shelburne Public Library Board Meeting  
Tuesday, January 21, 2025*

**Present:** Lindsay Wegener-Shelburne James Hodder-Shelburne  
Mikal Archer-Shelburne Tricia Field-Shelburne  
Patricia Clark-Mulmur (Zoom) Susan Graham-Amaranth  
Ruth Plowright-Melancthon (Zoom) Sharon Martin-Mono

**Also Present:** Rose Dotten, CEO/Head Librarian

**Regrets:** Geoff Dunlop-Shelburne

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The Vice-Chair, Lindsay Wegener, due to absence of Chair, Geoff Dunlop, called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm, January 21, 2025.

Reading of Land Acknowledgement:

“We would like to begin by respectfully acknowledging that the Town of Shelburne resides within the traditional territory and ancestral lands of the Anishinaabe including the Ojibway, Potawatomi, Chippewa and the People of the Three Fires Confederacy.

These traditional territories upon which we live, work, play and learn are steeped in rich Indigenous history and traditions. It is with this statement that we declare to honour and respect the past and present connection of Indigenous peoples with this land, its waterways and resources.

**Motion 01-25 P. Clark, S. Martin**

Be it resolved that we approve the Agenda of the January 21, 2025, meeting.

**Carried**

**Motion 01-25 P. Clark, J. Hodder**

Be it resolved that we approve the minutes of the board meeting, dated December 17, 2024.

**Carried**

**Motion 03-25 S. Martin, P. Clark**

Be it resolved that we approve the Accounts Payable Register for December, 2024, with invoices and payments in the amount of \$50,100.31;

**Carried**

CEO/ Head Librarian’s Report:

○ **Statistics—Including Social Media and e-resources**

Attached is a summary of the Monthly Statistics for December, 2024.

○ **Programming-**

● **Children’s Programming continues: –**

Children’s programming will continue with Lego Time on Wednesday afternoons, morning Story Time every Friday morning, and Books & Babies and STEM will continue throughout the year.

- School Visits: these in-person visits by students from some of the public schools are not happening during the winter months.

- Tween Programming continues—various programs such as STEM programming, “Among Us”, “Booking It” and Board games will continue on

various Fridays . In December, “Booking It”, Gingerbread Houses, Board Games and Colouring will be held on various Fridays, and movie nights were held on Dec 10/24, and tonight, Jan. 21/25, at 5 pm, with a wonderful supply of popcorn!

### **Adult Programming:**

- **Archivist on the Road**—Laura Camilleri, Archivist, from MOD, will continue to come in once a month during 2025, but the exact dates have not yet been determined. More programs will be held in the new year.
- **Coffee, Conversation & Books**—The last one was held on Wednesday December 18/24 at 7 pm, in Orangeville. The author was Cynthia Young, local author, historian and storyteller. The schedule for 2025 has not yet been set.
- **Rose’s Book Club**—the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of each month—The December meeting was cancelled as it was too close to Christmas. But the January meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 28, 2025.
- **“Get Crafty” sessions:** Crafters come to the library weekly to work on various crafts with other crafters every Tuesday from 1:30 – 3:30 pm. One of our volunteers, Anne Crowder, and Rose, coordinate this program, and the attendance has been high and continues to grow every week.
- **Tech Help**—The program “Seniors Helping Seniors”, involves volunteer seniors helping others. We have a number of seniors helping other seniors, by appointment, with numerous tech issues. Usually on Tuesday and/or Thursday evenings and some Friday afternoons.
- **Silent Auction and Book Sale**— Again, another highly successful Silent Auction was held on Saturday, November 23, 2024. There were some unique and really interesting items that were for sale and our patrons and friends came through again with their support. The total raised at the Silent Auction was about \$5,800. We are blessed with wonderful and generous patrons here at our library. It is gratifying to know how much we are appreciated and the support that the library is given.
- **Inter-Library Loan (ILLO)**—The ILLO service resumed on January 6/25, when we thought the back-log of the postal strike would be over. The service is pretty much back to normal again.
- **March Break Events**—The tickets for the three March Break events will be ready soon. The tickets are sold in groups of three and are \$10 for all 3 events. Once the limited number of tickets are sold including the Birds of Prey, then the tickets for Fireside Munsch and Comic Juggler Craig, are \$4.00 each. The three events for March Break are as follows:
  1. **Birds of Prey (live animals)**—here at the library at 2pm on Tuesday, March 11/25.
  2. **Fireside Munsch**—at Grace Tipling Hall at 2 pm on Wednesday, March 12/25.
  3. **Comic Juggler Craig**—at Grace Tipling Hall at 2 pm on Thursday, March 12/25.
- **Business**
  - **Correspondence --**

We received an email from the CAO of the Town of Shelburne, Denyse Morrissey, providing us with the Town pay grids for the positions that correspond to the Library’s pay grid levels. This was in response to a

request from Rose and will definitely help us with our financial planning for the coming year.

**Motion 04-25      R. Plowright, P. Clark**

That we now adjourn at 8:01 p.m., to meet again February 18, 2025, at 7 pm., or at call of the Chair.

**Carried**