

White Pigeon Library Board Meeting Minutes
April 27, 2026

Call to order:

Board President Pam Shenk called the meeting to order at 5:37p.m. Present were board members Heidi Needham, Margaret Raul, Gloria Weinberg, and Jan McDowell. Library Director Perri Saunders and Assistant Director Lisa Hofmeister were also present. Lynne Kasey was absent.

Approval of Agenda:

Heidi moved to approve the agenda. Gloria seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Approval of last meeting's minutes:

Margaret moved to approve the last meetings minutes and Heidi seconded, Pam Shenk abstained. The motion passed.

Vote to approve pre-paid bills and bills to be paid:

Gloria moved to approve the pre-paid bills and bills to be paid. Margaret seconded the motion. Pam called for a roll call vote. The motion carried unanimously.

Treasurer's report: Perri presented the treasurer's report.

Perri noted the total assets of \$689,256.90. Note that this now includes the purchase cost of the 104 property.

Township Taxes are coming into the library. YTD \$246,952.89. Perri noted that there have been quite a few unexpected expenses this year, but we are now starting to even out on our line items. Pam motioned and Gloria seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Director's report: Perri presented the Director's report. She noted that we were steady and about the same as last year. Programs were well attended this month. Jan motioned and Pam seconded to accept the director's report.

The motion carried unanimously.

Policy discussion: None

Old Business:

104 Project: Perri reported that the directional drilling and irrigation well drilling is complete. Concrete is completed and looks wonderful.

Grant submissions are being filed for the 104 Project. Semco has given a grant of \$1,000 and the Sturgis Area Community Foundation has granted \$10,000.

Perri distributed a revised budget for the 104 Project.

Total revised budget projection is \$243,868.00.

Funds for cost

CD. #1	\$155,145.17
Donations	\$ 13,000.00
Memorial	\$ 1,900.00
Grants	\$ 11,000.00
Endowment	<u>\$ 3,675.00</u>
	(\$64,998)

It was decided that the shortage of funds would be paid from the checking account and replenished by cashing in a CD at a later date if needed.

Accessibility Roundtable: Lisa and Perri attended the training April 7. Great information! We hope to start an adult or special needs story time this year.

New Business

Bee Friendly Week

Farmer Dan Program – 55 attended

Bee activities all week

Drawing for adults – Bee basket

Friends of the Library meeting – April 29th at 9:30.

Mahjong Club begins May 4 at 9:30 . Susie Pucket will organize and head the club. Meetings will be weekly through the summer.

High School /Middle school art show May 4-15 at the library.

Mother's Day Store- May 9th at 11a.m. To 12:30 p.m.

Summer Reading Program – Unearth a Story June 1st – July 25th.

Dinosaur and digging theme.

Reading, crafts, programs, and prizes!

Summertime Tunes- Wednesday nights at 6-8p.m.

July 1- Whistle Pigs

July 8- Kyle Joe and Friends

July 15- Tony Fields & Doug Decker

July 22- The Bulldogs

Director evaluation by library board – Heidi handed out the summary of the board evaluations for Perri. The director evaluation was given and approved by the board.

Additional Topics:

In May: Staff wage and preliminary budget discussion

In June: Budget approval

Adjournment: 6:40 p.m.

The next Library Board meeting is **Monday, May 18, 2026, at 5:30**. This meeting will be held in person unless otherwise advised by executive order.

Respectfully submitted,

Janet McDowell

