

Sherman Library Building Project Timeline



SAW MILL ROAD ELEVATION
File 10/10

1997-1998 Building overcrowded and in need of updating. Millie Loeb hired as **Library Director**. Jane Marsh legacy received. Discussion begins for library building of the future

1999-2000 LSTA Grant awarded for Long Range Planning
Long Range Plan Began
Library planning consultant hired and community committee formed
Studies of space needs, facilities and demographics of Sherman completed
Extensive community opinion survey conducted
Vision formed based on results

2001 Sherman Library Long Range Plan presented to town
Tuthill and Wells Architects hired
Historic District Commission consulted
Topographical study of land performed
Preliminary architect's design developed

2002 Building committee formed
Hired real estate lawyer and negotiated adjacent property purchase

2003-2004 Developed building program and architectural schematics for Connecticut State Library Construction Grant and submitted grant application
Formal Capital Campaign Feasibility Study conducted

2005 Reviewed plan in response to community recommendations from the Feasibility Study to scale back project size and budget
Connecticut State authorized \$500,000 Construction Grant
Sherman Library awarded \$75,000 from private foundations and a \$100,000 THUD construction grant

2006 Redesigned library plan to reflect Sherman residents' feedback for an expansion the town would support
Capital campaign strategy developed
Enter quiet phase of capital campaign
Additional \$100,000 committed from private donations

2007 January Present revised plan to Board of Selectmen
February-April Present plan to community

2007 Capital Campaign continued to raise additional funds

2007 June Town of Sherman voted to approve referendum of \$1,000,000 for library expansion project

2007 October Historical Preservation Technical Assistance Grant (HPTAG) for \$10,000 awarded for plans for the adaptive re-use of the library historic barn

2007 December Engage engineering firm Arthur Howland Associates, President Paul Szymanski

2008 Acquire necessary approvals and permits. Continue with Capital Campaign to raise funds

2008 January-April Work with Sherman Historic District Commission to develop complying plan. Certificate of Appropriateness is issued.

2008 August Submit application for \$1,000,000 CT State Construction Grant

2008 Fall 2009 Spring Present project plans to town commissions

2008 November Connecticut State authorized \$1,000,000 Construction Grant

2009/2010 Acquire necessary approvals and permits. Continue to work with engineers and architect. Continue with Capital Campaign to raise funds

2009 April Zoning Board of Appeals approval of five variances

2009 October \$200,000 STEAP grant award for the renovation of the historic barn

2010 January Design Solutions provided 3D model of library exterior

2010 January ZBA approved variances of revised plan

2010 February Historic District Commission Certificate of Approval for revised plans

2010 March Inlands Wetlands approves permit application

2010 April Planning and Zoning approves library plan

2010 July 13 Governor Rell signs approval at special Bonding Commission Meeting for the CT Construction Grant for \$1,000,000 for the Sherman Library

Enfield Builders construction manager hired.

2010 November Building Project plans and update, including special library video, presented to members at Annual Meeting

2011 Graphic Designer Marie Mulvaney engaged

2011 May Capital Campaign Delvers of the 21st Century launched

2011 May 17 Members meeting concerning Bylaw revisions

2011 June 21 State Contract signed

2011 June 29 Bids opened by Enfield Builders at Town Hall

2011 July 13 Enfield Builders presents Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) that exceeds budget
Building Committee reconvenes to scale back project design and site work

2011 September 6 Tuthill and Wells presents revised plan

2011 September 9 Sherman Library Association Membership approves the revised Bylaws, amended Certificate of Incorporation and the Grant and Option Agreement with the Town at a special meeting

2011 December Extension until February 2013 for State Construction grant.

2011-2012 December/January Town presents revised version of Grant Contract Agreement

2012 January Schematic design drawings completed

2012 February 8 Petition submitted with 20 signatures to rescind Town Grant for library building project

2012 February 24 Town meeting to discuss the petition and vote to rescind the Town Grant. 130 attended majority support library.

2012 March 3. Referendum vote to rescind grant. 397-648 against. Library prevails

2012 March 7 Enfield presents schematic budget

2012 May P&Z, Historic District Approvals

2012 August 28 Bids Opened

2012 September 5 GMP presented

2012 October 5 Ceremonial Groundbreaking

2012 October 15 Ground Breaking

2012-2013 Construction

2013 January Library Opens in Temporary Quarters

2013-2014 Interior Design work

2014 January Library moves back

2014 March 15 Grand Opening!!!

Library Director
Millie Loeb 1997-

Sherman Library Building Project Board of Trustees Presidents
Lorraine Kupper 1997-1999
Joseph Keneally 1999-2004
Clay Cope 2004-2008
Sharon Danosky 2008-2011
Karen Cushnie 2011-

Building Committee 2011-2014
Karen Cushnie
Christine Lent
Millie Loeb
Mason Lord
Enfield Builders
Tuthill and Wells Architects
Chris Jellen Selectman ex-officio

Building Committee Chairmen
Joseph Keneally 2002-2004
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Mason Lord 2011-2014