

Omak Public Library Board Meeting
January 9, 2017

Members Present: Sue Radek, Cynthia Tollefson, Betsy Rainsford and Librarian Sharon Reddick.

December's Minutes read and approved.

Bills presented for approval for payment:

- ~ Cintas- mats laundered, \$35.12
- ~PUD- power, \$895.18
- ~City of Omak- water, sewer, storm, \$134.80

Old Business:

- The new table covers from the Pioneers Club are lovely.
- Wayne from the city made a \$800 bid to fix the broken shelving edges if the materials are bought all at once and \$1200 if materials are bought piece by piece. Sharon called the city to discuss waiting until next year to do the repair so it can be included in next year's budget due to the high cost. It was decided to go ahead with the project now and use this year's budget money since this is a safety issue. (A child was injured in December from a sharp piece of broken shelf edging) The city inquired if it was NCRL's responsibility to do this repair and Sharon reminded them that NCRL has purchased some furniture for the library in the past but it is the city's responsibility to upkeep the shelving/furniture. The city was supportive and wants staff and library patrons to be safe. We are grateful to Wayne and the research he has done for this project.

New Business:

- Lorraine Derig paid the library a compliment. She appreciates our security guard Greg and is no longer afraid to come into the library. He also helped her to her vehicle across the icy street. We appreciate Greg and are especially glad that a senior feels safe at the library. We want to promote seniors library patrons.
- Sharon has devised a Snow Plan to be used by library staff. Knowing that the city crews are very busy plowing on snowy mornings, Sharon has typed up staff responsibilities including shoveling the sidewalks, alley, around the dumpster, to the janitor door and also spreading ice melt.
- The Regional Library (five counties) along with Jim Brucker is creating a Strategic Plan to decide where resources should go over the next five to ten years to help the library best serve future needs.
- Sharon has been cleaning, sorting and rearranging the back room to make a working space ready for the book mobile staff.

Meeting adjourned. The next meeting will be February 13, 1:30.

Respectfully Submitted, Betsy Rainsford