Omak Public Library Board Minutes

July 8, 2024

Omak Public Library Meeting Room at 1:30pm

Present: Librarian Alyssa Cruz-Uribe; Board members Carol Carder, Betty Cleveland, Cynthia Tollefson, Jo Stalder, Peg Finch; City Councilman Meyer Louie

Minutes: Minutes of the June meeting were approved as emailed to board members.

Old Business: Summer Library Programming has officially begun. All ages are encouraged to use the library for summer fun. Adult Bingo includes activities as well as reading goals.

 It was discovered that the electrical box tripped which prevented the air conditioning system from cooling. An HVAC technician also checked the system which is now operating and the library will be a cooling location this summer.

 The water usage in May was a little higher due to the issue with a water line damaged during the installation of the benches. The problem was discovered early and has been fixed. It was noted today that the June water usage was about the same as May and higher than June of 2023. Alyssa will check with the City about this.

Bills: The following bills were presented and approved for payment:

 PUD Electricity $283.99

 Crown Paper Toilet paper/towels $ 73.31

 City of Omak Water/sewer $173.74

 US Linen Mats $ 75.96

 It was noted that the US Linen invoice was higher than prior bills. A minimum stop charge of $13.68 per stop is new this billing period.

New Business: The library is a cooling station and is being used as such.

 The Library is thankful that the City replaced some light bulbs that had died.

Trevor Bond is coming to the Omak Library to talk about how the Nez Perce tribe recovered items from a museum. The talk will be July 19th at 4:30pm. The Library encourages the public to share this information to increase attendance. He will also be signing books.

 There will also be a Snakes N Bugs program on August 9th at 11:30am at the Omak Library. This is an educational program about bugs and reptiles and how they interact with our world.

Next Meeting: August 12, 2024, at 1:30pm in the Omak Library Meeting Room