Omak Library Board Meeting

Conducted remotely by Zoom

Monday, April 10, 2023

Present: Betty Cleveland, Cynthia Tollefson, Alyssa Cruz-Arribe, and guest FindtheRightPassion

**Minutes:**

Minutes from the March meeting were read. Betty made a motion to approve the minutes as read. Cynthia seconded the motion. Minutes were approved as read. There was discussion regarding the item from Old Business about the February water usage. Betty reported that the Elk’s water overage was due to equipment issues which have been repaired. It was noted that the library’s water usage for March, 2023, was comparable to the usage for March, 2022.

**Bills:**

The following bills were presented to the board by Alyssa.

 PUD – The current charge was $644.72 but since $945.11 had been paid twice, there is a credit balance remaining of $280.39.

 City of Omak – Water & sewer - $155.16

 U.S. Linen and Uniform – mat cleaning - $35.40. That total also agrees to U.S. Linen’s balance due on the March 27, 2023, invoice.

Betty made a motion and Cynthia seconded the motion to approve the bills to be presented to the City for payment.

**New Business:**

 Library board meetings will continue to be held on Monday. After discussion with the City and the NCW Libraries, it was decided that it would be easier to continue to have the meetings on Mondays.

 The Omak Library has a new Customer Service Technician – Chandra Salmond. She is originally from Seattle, moved to Omak last year, and has been a library substitute. She has experience working with unhoused people and has been a wonderful addition to the staff.

 A writing group has started meeting at the library every Monday at 3:30pm. Maxine Frazier, who teaches on-line university classes and is associated with Birchbark Editing, is leading the group.

 Planning has started on the Summer Library Programs. The library hopes to have some in-person programming this summer. Starting in May, raffles for books that have been signed by authors will be held to generate interest. The Summer Library Programs will start in mid-June.

 Alyssa informed the Board that Lorraine Derig resigned her board position.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Cynthia Tollefson

Next meeting is May 8, 2023 at 1:30pm via Zoom.