



Municipal Library Community Advisory Group October 9, 2024 meeting

Present: Tara Baird, Mary Jemin, Jessica Salaiz, JJ Wilson
Ken Dayer (Library Director), and Lillian Galloway (Assistant Library Director)
Absent: Nancy Stephens and Nick Prince

Call to order: 4:02 p.m.

Approval of Agenda: JJ Wilson moved to approve the agenda; and Mary Jemin seconded. The agenda was approved unanimously.

Approval of the Minutes: JJ Wilson moved to approve the September minutes with a few minor edits; and Jessica Salaiz seconded. The minutes were approved unanimously.

Public Input: none

Reports:

- A. Memorial report – Ken Dayer reported that uncommitted money had to be used to cover partial costs for a DVD cart and library cards. There were funds committed for these, but there was not enough in the committed funds. \$500 will be committed for supplies and \$6,000 committed for furniture from the uncommitted funds for future purchases. The small meeting room will be reorganized with new furniture.
- B. Friends of the Library – The Friends had a book sale on September 14. They will have their annual meeting October 16.
- C. Foundation
Ken Dayer reported that OCLC provides us with cataloging records. The foundation paid for this cost.
- D. Librarian’s report:
The library hopes for continuing communication and partnerships with the Forest Service following our current collaboration on the Smokey Bear Reading Challenge.
The lift is in the process of being fixed, but if it cannot be fixed, it will have to be replaced.
Ken Dayer reported that when comparing the July – September quarter of 2023 to the quarter of July – September 2024, there were increases in library usage statistics in some areas, and decreases in other areas. This might mean that we have stopped the pattern of very slow, steady increase in usage post-pandemic, and might have “plateaued” to our new normal.

Old Business:

Advisory Group officers. Nancy Stephens was not present, but another member checked the email that Nancy sent to the group. In the email Nancy stated that she would be willing to serve as chair or vice-chair. JJ volunteered to be vice-chair. The group will confirm this with Nancy at the next meeting. Tara Baird volunteered to serve as secretary.



New business:

None

Adjournment: 4:30pm.

Nancy L. Stephens

Nancy Stephens, Chair

Attest:

Ken Dayer

Ken Dayer, Library Director