

Directors Report

October 2022



Library Policy - The library policy you have been asked to review this month is one of the foundations of public library service in the United States. As usual staff have been asked to review and verify that we use the policy as written, I have also requested comment by City Attorney. He states:

I have reviewed the policy on privacy and confidentiality of patron records and I have no issues with the policy. It makes clear what information the library will gather, how the information will be protected, and what the library's response will be related to information requests. I don't have anything to add to it at this point.

Richard S. Tovey, City Attorney.

Please prepare questions you may have and they will be discussed as needed, any proposed changes should be reviewed by the City Attorney before final adoption.

Library Building – The City has moved out of the library. Library staff have moved their work stations/offices My office is now located in the basement, my former office is now occupied by Heidi, to give staff access to her and her technical abilities keeping systems running. Gratefully the City Manager gave the library first dibs on all furniture not taken to the new city hall.

The city has a number of projects in addition to completing the library and has determined that the best way forward is to hire a construction manager. That position is expected to be in place at the first of the year. I am expected to participate in the selection of the manager. It is also hoped that funding for the library project will become available at the first of the year. When the building stage is completed funding for the operation of the cultural center will begin.

Book Sale – The Friends of the Hermiston Public Library Book Sale was held Thursday the 20th in the evening for members, membership can be purchased at that time. General sales will be Saturday from 9 at to 2 pm.