



Location: 105 S Main Street



Date: 4/11/2019



Time: 8:30 am

# Condon Chamber of Commerce

## April Meeting Minutes

### I. Call to order

- a) The meeting was called to order by President Holly Adam at 8: 30 am.

### II. Welcome & Introductions

- a) Holly Adam, President; Pat Reilley, Vice President; Jessica Barnett & Vicki Ackerman; Board Members, K'Lynn Lane; Executive Director. Members Present: Rod McGuire, Lori Anderson, Kelly Jo Janes, Cindy McGrath, Rachel Weinstein, Conrad Hock, Darla Seale, Jane Cadousteau.

### III. Approve March Meeting Minutes


- a) Lori made a motion to approve the March meeting minutes, Jane seconded. All in favor, none opposed.

### IV. Treasurers Report

#### V. Staff Report-K'Lynn Lane

- a) Phone:62
- b) Email:133
- c) Visitors: 73
- d) Referrals: 42
- e) Member Assists: 16
- f) Facebook: 1184 (+23 this week) please invite your friends and family to “like” the Condon Chamber of Commerce Facebook page.
- g) Website: March-2968 April-562
- h) New Members:
  - i) Life Flight Network
  - ii) Cross Rifle BBQ-Fossil, Oregon
  - iii) Delaney Watkins-Red Aspen Brand Ambassador
  - iv) Country Bloom Natural Skincare-Amanda Hendricks
- i) We have been sitting in on meetings for the John Day River Territory/Management Team. Helping with the community Rural Revitalization team to continue moving attainable housing forward in Gilliam County. Met with Jennifer Day to discuss a Festival of Trees event in Condon on December 6<sup>th</sup>. We are also working on a sign project for Pauling Field.

### VI. Business

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- a) Hospitality Bags -12 items that will market your business and get new community members in your door!
    - i) Deadline to participate May 9<sup>th</sup> – Please drop off our items to the Condon Chamber of Commerce or contact Lori for pickup. lorikent57@gmail.com
  - b) We Speak Video – Oakridge, Oregon
    - i) K'Lynn showed a video to the group and given the response will follow up with Travel Oregon and do some research on bringing the “we speak” program to Gilliam County and spreading the opportunity as far as Grant County.
  - c) Bicycle Rides NW Event – Volunteers Needed
    - i) June 22 & June 29
      - (1) If you are willing to help volunteer at the welcome/greeting table on June 22 or June 29<sup>th</sup> please contact the Condon Chamber of Commerce.
      - (2) Rachel mentioned that 2019 is the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Oregon Scenic Bikeway Program!
  - d) Gilliam County Operations Grant-update
    - i) Grant was submitted. K'Lynn attended the Budget committee deliberations on April 10<sup>th</sup>. The court will consider and award funds for the strategic investment grants on April 17<sup>th</sup>.
  - e) WM Fund-Project Updates
    - i) Benches-6 gorgeous benches have been constructed and are currently in Hermiston to be powder coated. K'Lynn has contacted a contractor to decide how we will either repair or cover the crumbling stucco where the plaques are. Darla suggested that the Chamber try and sell additional name plates.
  - f) Fabulous Fourth of July
    - i) Donation/Raffle
      - (1) Prize solicitation letters have been sent out. It's not too early to get your prizes donated for this year's Fabulous Fourth of July! Please consider donating an item that will bring business your way. Gift certificates, products that you make or sell, the skies the limit. Donations will be proudly displayed at the Chamber office.
      - (2) Tickets will be available for sale Memorial Day weekend!
    - ii) Breakfast
      - (1) Volunteers needed! Please call today to sign up for a shift.
        - (a) (ticket sales, gate for breakfast, runner) we have the perfect job for you!
    - iii) Sponsorship Opportunities
      - (1) Kids Games

- (a) Prizes-Melanie's Such & Such
- (b) Water Bottles-Hatt's Fuel Stop & Mini Mart
- (2) Tricycle Races
  - (a) Prizes-\$50 SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITY
- (3) Grand Marshal Reception (Cookies & Refreshments) – Would you be willing to bake some cookies? 6 dozen needed
- iv) Soap Box Derby
  - (1) A letter was read from Kevin & Eileen Potter who will be retiring after running and sponsoring the Soap Box Derby for the past 25 years. Members present discussed ideas to revamp the derby and ways to get businesses re-engaged in the event. Please take advantage of this wonderful opportunity to advertise your business and sponsor a young child to compete in the event.

## VII. Correspondence

- a) Shop Small Saturday-American Express
- b) Columbia Basin Business Member of the Year- Magazine NWPPA Bulletin
- c) Robinson Brothers Construction Newsletter

## VIII. Member Announcements


- a) Rod McGuire shared a flyer for the Spring Fest – Flower Basket Sale taking place on May 3<sup>rd</sup> from 4-7 pm. All proceeds go towards the Woolery Project. Paradise Rose is providing pulled pork sandwich meals to go and live music is provided by Dan Robinson.



- b) On May 11<sup>th</sup> The Woolery will be hosting a 4 person scramble golf tournament at China Creek.
- c) Lori Anderson shared about a meeting she attended in Florida in March. The conference was about Rural Revitalization and Main Street Makeovers. Lori will be hosting a housing initiative and economic rural revitalization meeting on April 18<sup>th</sup>-12 pm at the Anderson Building. If you are interested in attending the one-hour presentation, please bring your own lunch and join in on the conversation.
- d) The Condon Round-Up will be hosting an Open Mic Night/Guest Chef on April 27<sup>th</sup>. Bring your talents and entertain guests 6-10 pm dinner & drink specials!
- e) Cindy McGrath-Life Flight Network. Cindy is excited to be part of the community and to play a bigger role in the Chamber. If you are interested in learning more about the Life Flight Membership program, please stop by the Chamber or contact Cindy personally. You can get a membership for your entire family for just \$65 a year. If you are a business owner and want to offer membership to your employees, they have a discounted rate for businesses signing up 10 or more employees for just \$50 per family.
- f) Jessica Barnett is the President of the Condon/Fossil Little League and invites you to attend all community games. She is doing her best to keep everyone informed on the schedule! Game schedule is posted on the Chamber website under events-sport schedule! Schedules are also posted around town at area businesses.

## **IX. Upcoming Events**

- a) Community Easter Egg Hunt-April 20<sup>th</sup> 10 AM
- b) NCLA Bull Tour 2019-April 26<sup>th</sup>
- c) Open Mic Night-Condon Round Up April 27<sup>th</sup> 6-10 PM
- d) The Woolery Spring Fest 2019-Basket Sale
- e) Jackpot Rodeo-May 4-5<sup>th</sup> Arlington, Oregon
- f) Golf Tournament May 11<sup>th</sup>-Arlington, Oregon benefiting The Woolery Project
- g) Veteran's Benefit/Resource Fair June 8<sup>th</sup>-Earl Snell Memorial Park 9-3 PM
- h) Artisans Market & Summer Concert in the Park-June 22<sup>nd</sup>
  - i) Artisans Market 4-7 PM ~ Concert 7-10 PM/Bicycle Rides Northwest June 22<sup>th</sup>-June 29<sup>th</sup>
- i) Harvesters Classic Softball Tournament June 29<sup>th</sup>-June 30<sup>th</sup>
  - i) Home Run Derby June 28<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup>
- j) Condon's Fabulous Fourth of July "All Roads Lead Home" July 4<sup>th</sup>
  - i) Artisans Market 4-7 PM Concert 7-10 PM Fireworks 10 PM
- k) Fossil Blue Grass Festival/Fossil Cruz-In Car Show July 5/6/7
- l) Dave Barnett Memorial Golf Tournament July 6<sup>th</sup>-10 AM

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- m) Four-Wheeler Rodeo July 6<sup>th</sup> – 12 PM
  - n) Artisans Market & Concert in the Park August 2<sup>nd</sup>
    - i) CHS All Class Reunion & Mayville Reunion August 3<sup>rd</sup>
  - o) Gilliam County Fair – August 29-September 2<sup>nd</sup>

**X. Adjournment at 9:35 am– Next Meeting May 09, 2019 – 8:30 AM**