

# **Condon Chamber of Commerce**

## **Membership Meeting Minutes – June 14, 2018**

**Members Present:** Pat Reilley; Vice President, K'Lynn Lane; Executive Director, Jessica Bates, Eileen Florey, Max Klare, Don Williamson, Lori Anderson, Stephanie Carter, Delaney Watkins, John Anderson, Vernon Grey, Tammie Birkeland, Rachel Weinstein.

### **I. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 8:30 am by Vice President Pat Reilley.

### **II. Approve May 2018 Meeting Minutes**

- a. Eileen made a motion to approve the meeting minutes as sent out by email, Lori seconded. All in favor none opposed.

### **III. Treasurers Report-Lisa Greene**

- a. Omitted for June

### **IV. Staff Report**

- a. Phone Calls: 42
- b. Email: 103
- c. Visitors: 107
- d. Assists: 34
- e. Member Referrals: 47
- f. Facebook: Likes: 1034
- g. Website Visitors
  - May: 6061
  - June: 2510
  - **Average: 5495 Visitors a month!**
- h. New Members (179 Proud Chamber Members)
  - Wild River Taxidermy
  - Apricot & Apiaries
  - Fossil Cruzers
  - Bishop Sanitation
  - T. Martin & R. Miller Window Cleaning
  - Home Run Property Management
- i. Things to mention!
  - Community Service Tokens Awarded to:
    1. Rachel Weinstein-Gilliam County Community Development
    2. Gilliam County Assessor's Office
    3. Jennifer Bold/Condon Child Care
    4. Dale Scobert
    5. Gilliam County Sheriff's Office
  - Thank you to our sponsors
    1. Murray's Condon-Hulla Hoop Contest
    2. Parade-Columbia Basin Electric
      - a. Organizers-Jeff & Nichole Schott Family
    3. Soap Box Derby-Kevin & Eileen Potter
    4. Tricycle Races-Watkins Trucking/Countryside Dispatch

- a. Organizers-Condon's Young Life
- 5. Kids Games-Melanie's Such & Such
  - a. Water Bottles-Wheatland Insurance
  - b. Organizers-Mike Miller & Family
- We were successful in our request to Gilliam County "Special Projects" in the amount of \$15,000.00

## V. Business

### a. 2018 Fourth of July

#### • Donation/Raffle

1. Please consider donating to this year's Fourth of July Raffle, it's a fantastic way to promote your business and services or showcase your brand. Raffle ticket sales fund the following year's fireworks. Please submit your donations by June 30<sup>th</sup> and purchase raffle tickets.

- a. So far 20 prizes donated
- b. Over \$1500.00 in cash donations

2. Raffle Tickets Available for purchase NOW!

Tickets are \$1/Ticket or \$5/6 Tickets

- a. Hatt's Fuel Stop & Mini Mart
- b. Condon Chamber of Commerce
- c. Country Flowers
- d. Murray's
- e. Two Boys Select Market
- f. Wheatland Insurance
- g. The Times Journal
- h. Melanie's Such & Such
- i. M&A Auto Parts
- j. The Drive-In

#### • Volunteer

1. If you would like to volunteer for this year's Fourth of July we have just the job for you. Several opportunities prior to Wednesday's big event!
  - a. Ticket Sales AM & PM
  - b. Gate for Breakfast/Dinner

#### • Parade & Soap Box Derby Participation is Encouraged

1. Join us as we celebrate "An Old Fashioned Fourth of July" take advantage of this unique opportunity to advertise for your business! Businesses and organizations are encouraged to participate in the parade and 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Soap Box Derby.

### b. Condon's Young Life – Scholarship Request

- Jessica Bates and Tammie Birkeland were present to speak on behalf of Condon's Young Life organization. With over 18 engaged youth they consider the first year to be an absolute success and would like to thank the Chamber for supporting their endeavors of establishing a deeper relationship with the youth in Condon. If you would like more information about Young Life and the opportunities it has to offer please contact Jessica Bates or Tammie Birkeland. They are also looking for more youth whom would be interested in getting involved and volunteers who would like to help in a number of different ways.

- Lori Anderson thanked YL for helping clean up Mary Thayer's yard and encouraged the group to continue to be engaged in the community.
- Delaney made a motion to donate \$500 in 2019 given the organization's ability to volunteer #50 hours to the Chamber and our Chamber sponsored events. Don seconded, all in favor none opposed.

**c. Fundraising Ideas**

- **Town Photo**

1. K'Lynn mentioned the idea of doing a town wide/community photo followed by a community BBQ. Then the Chamber can sell the prints as a fundraiser for community outreach.

- **Belly Flop Contest**

1. Belly flop, cannon ball, biggest splash contest
  - a. More details to come!

- **Daddy/Daughter Dance or Mom Prom**

- i. Those members who were present loved the idea of a Town Photo and community BBQ as well as the Belly Flop Contest. Stay tuned with more details to come!

**VI. Christmas in Condon-Lights in the Park**

- a. The Kevin and Eileen Potter family has taken the lead on decorating the park the past 3 years and have asked for an organization to consider taking over the set up and take down. Condon's Young Life Organization will work with the Potter family this year and will consider taking it over moving forward.

**VII. Correspondence**

- a. Thank you from Bishop Sanitation

**VIII. Member Announcements**

- a. Delaney and Shaina Watkins are excited about the second annual Harvester's Classic Softball Tournament. There are 8 teams confirmed for this year's co-ed softball tournament. Those who are interested in playing but don't have a team are encouraged to contact Delaney or Shaina.
  - Registration forms can be found online at [condonchamber.org/events](http://condonchamber.org/events)
  - Proceeds go towards the South Gilliam Rural Fire Department
  - Concessions will be available by the Condon Child Care
  - Join in on the fun June 29<sup>th</sup> for a Home Run Derby fundraiser in honor of Kaela Reser Memorial Scholarship.
- b. Wheatland Insurance will be showcasing art work by Dan Robinson (coming soon) stop in and see his gorgeous paintings.
- c. Lori Anderson our Hospitality chair, wanted to thank all the businesses who participated in the hospitality bag refill. She estimates that we hand out 24 bags a year to new people who choose to call Condon, home.
- d. My Time Towing and Recovery will be putting their third truck into motion and now offer a roll bed service outside of Arlington. Congratulations Don!

**IX. Upcoming Events**

- a. A-Town Throw Down June 16<sup>th</sup> (backup wind days 15/17)
- b. Harvesters Classic Home Run Derby June 29<sup>th</sup>
- c. Harvesters Classic Softball Tournament – June 30-July 1<sup>st</sup>
- d. Dave Barnett Memorial Golf Tournament June 30<sup>th</sup>

- e. Fourth of July Celebration – July 4<sup>th</sup>
  - Artisans Market & Concert in the Park-Fireworks
- f. Wheeler County Blue Grass Festival July 6-7-8
- g. Fossil Cruz In Car Show July 7<sup>th</sup>
- h. Four Wheeler Rodeo-July 7<sup>th</sup> 12 pm
- i. Artisans Market & Concert in the Park-August 3<sup>rd</sup>
- j. All Class Reunion August 4<sup>th</sup>-Condon Elks Lodge
- k. Gilliam County Fair & Rodeo August 29<sup>th</sup>-September 3<sup>rd</sup>

**Adjournment:**

The formal business meeting was adjourned at 9:32 am

The next meeting will be on July 12, 2018 – 8:30 am at the Condon Chamber of Commerce

K'Lynn Lane, Appointed Secretary

Date: 06/14/2018