

# **Condon Chamber of Commerce**

## **Membership Meeting Minutes – July 12, 2018**

**Members Present:** Holly LaRue ; President, Pat Reilley; Vice President, Lisa Greene; Treasurer, K'Lynn Lane; Executive Director, Delaney Watkins, Jennifer Bold, Dustan Hall, Mary Dyer, Stephanie Carter, Tammie Birkeland, Mac Stinchfield.

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

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

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

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

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

- a. Budget vs. Actual presented
- b. Fourth of July Profit and Loss Comparison for 3 years presented
- c. Jennifer moved that the treasurers report be approved as presented, Delaney seconded. All in favor none opposed.

### **IV. Staff Report**

- a. Phone Calls: 48
- b. Email: 78
- c. Visitors: 135
- d. Assists: 22
- e. Member Referrals: 39
- f. Facebook: Likes: 1061
- g. Website Visitors
  - June: 5984
  - July: 2094
  - **Average: 5553 Visitors a month!**
- h. New Members (182 Proud Chamber Members)
  - Granny's Diner
  - Harrison Ranch
- i. Things to mention!
  - Applied for Shop Small Program to assist with our Fall Festival

### **V. Business**

#### **a. 2018 Fourth of July**

- **Windmill Classic-City of Condon**

1. Excellent participation!

#### **Walkers**

Bonnie Greiner

Shellie Jonson

Downen Jones

#### **Runners**

Jackson Miller

Hunter Winslow

Laci Olsen

- **Breakfast-Hosted by ALLETE Clean Energy**
  1. 411 Plates/398 Silverware were used! Thank you to the many volunteers who helped make the breakfast and morning program a success.
- **Hula Hoop Contest-Murray's Condon**
  1. 24 participants with the winner "hooping" for 28 minutes. Congratulations to Natalie Brooks and
- **Fourth of July Parade-Hosted by Jeff & Nichole Schott Family**
  1. 48 floats
  2. Parade sponsored by Columbia Basin Electric
  3. Incredible Business Participation! Thank you to everyone who showed your support. Community members are still talking about how great the floats were.
- **Soap Box Derby-Hosted by Kevin & Eileen Potter**
  1. 8 participants all who received a commemorative trophy!
  2. Thank you Kevin & Eileen for sponsoring the trophies and for keeping the spirit of the Soap Box Derby alive!
- **Tricycle Race-Hosted by Condon's Young Life**
  1. 36 Participants
  2. Sponsored by Countryside Dispatch & Watkins Trucking
  3. Tricycles lent by Condon Child Care
- **Kids Games**
  1. Hosted by Mike Miller & Family
  2. Sponsored by Melanie's Such & Such
    - a. Water Bottles donated by Wheatland Insurance
- **Artisans Market**
  1. July Market there were 12 vendors
  2. All vendors are thrilled with the communities support
- **Raffle**
  1. Thank you to all the businesses and community members who donated raffle items (60 items Ruffled off). We cannot thank those who also supported the raffle by purchasing tickets.
  2. Thank you to Two Boys Select Market for Co-Sponsoring Green Mountain Grill. The Grill was won by AJ Irzyk.
  3. Thank you to Businesses who sold raffle tickets and to volunteers who sold tickets on July 4<sup>th</sup>.
- **Comments/Suggestions**
  1. Make the Windmill Classic 5K a run and walk (option)
    - a. Design a new shirt with date
  2. Lines on the football field for kids games
  3. Keep 3 inch salute and morning blast part of the event, the blast created a lot of buzz and great energy
  4. Miss Liberty Discussion (look into bringing the contest event back)

## **VI. Gilliam County Fair/Children's Day-Tammie Birkeland**

## Gilliam County Children's Fair



Dear Community Partners:

The Gilliam County Fair Board is planning the annual Children's Fair held during the Gilliam County Fair. *The theme this year is "Honor the Past, Imagine the Future".* **The Children's Fair will be held on Thursday, August 30, 2018, from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Gilliam County Fairgrounds.**

The idea behind the Children's Fair is to provide a place that allows our community families to come together in a positive and fun atmosphere to learn about all the great resources and services that Gilliam County has to offer with a focus on health and safety, but opening the doors to other community partnerships as well.

We are seeking agencies, businesses and community groups to attend. We ask that you provide a health or safety message for the families and/or children, and that you provide an engaging activity for the children to participate in.

Lastly, I offer some thoughts on throwing an awesome fair: Think outside the box, consider offering goodies, check pinterest for health and safety fair ideas, rock your presentations and activities, remember to consider ways to entertain those that may be waiting to talk with you with photo booths, video screens, props etc and of course, please promote the Gilliam County Fair to those you do business with.

If you are interested in participating, please fill out the questionnaire enclosed, explaining your activity, message and space needs. **Please return the attached questionnaire to me by August 1, 2018.**

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Tammie Birkeland".

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## VII.

### Correspondence

- a. Thank you from Kevin & Eileen Potter
- b. Feedback about 4<sup>th</sup> of July

## VIII.

### Member Announcements

- a. Delaney Watkins noted that there were 46 participants at this year's Four Wheeler Rodeo held at the Gilliam County Fairgrounds on Saturday July 7<sup>th</sup>. Sponsors were the Gilliam County Fair Board, Watkins Trucking, Countryside Dispatch, and Watkins Excavating. The event is free for participants to enter and is a fantastic community event. Concessions were hosted by 4-H Ambassadors. Top winners from each age group receive a \$50 check. The 2019 Four Wheeler Rodeo is tentatively scheduled for the Saturday after July 4<sup>th</sup>.
- b. Delaney Watkins; The Second Annual Harvester's Classic Softball Tournament was a huge success! With 7 teams competing for the title. Shaina Watkins recruited three traveling teams from the Hermiston & Pendleton area, who all joined in on the fun. Many camped at Burns Park and stayed at local establishments. There were also four local teams that were part of the fun. Condon Child Care facilitated the concessions. Proceeds from this year's tournament were donated to the South Gilliam County Rural Fire Department. The first place winners of this year's Harvester's Classic were the Dirty Birds from Hermiston with second place The Young Guns and third place Miss Fits.
- c. The Kaela Reser Memorial Scholarship/ Home Run Derby was also a success notes Delaney! The Home Run Derby will be held on Saturday next year to allow for more participation of traveling teams.
- d. The Times Journal would like for you to update your contacts and effective immediately use this email address: [timesjournal1886@gmail.com](mailto:timesjournal1886@gmail.com).
- e. Delaney Watkins mentioned that there is a great opportunity to advocate for your business and participate in the Painted Hills Festival and Parade in Mitchell over Labor Day.
- f. Wheatland Insurance will help host the August 3<sup>rd</sup> Artisans Market, congratulations to soon to be parents Mike & Silvia Durfey.
- g. Countryside Dispatch is now open for business and they would love for you to check out their new website! [www.countrysidedispatch.com](http://www.countrysidedispatch.com)
- h. Stephanie Carter-new in Mitchell, Oregon a Brewery "Tiger Town" now open 11-7:30 7 days a week with indoor and outdoor seating. Specialty Brew & Wings.
- i. Condon Young Life has youth who are headed to the Washington Family Ranch for 7 days; please lift them up in your thoughts.
- j. Jennifer Bold with Condon Child Care would like to invite you into sign up for a new program Veggie RX that enables local families to coupons that will allow for all to have access to fresh fruit and produce. You can also sign up at the Gilliam County 4-H Extension office, Gilliam County Child Services. The coupons can be used locally at Two Boys and Jennifer is working on getting vendors who will also accept the coupons at our Artisans Markets. The program makes food available in rural areas like Condon and helps enhance our quality of life, while making it affordable. The program is open to all community members!
- k. The Condon Child Care is also hosting the Summer Food Program which to date feeds about 70-75 meals a day. The Summer Lunch program is a wonderful community asset and has been in place now for 11 years. This is a program that Jennifer feels passionately about; adults can join their child for lunch for only \$5. In addition to the Summer Food Program the Child Care is putting together weekend resource bags. Great job Jennifer advocating for our community and our youth!

## **IX. Upcoming Events**

- a. Arlington Car Show N Shine July 28<sup>th</sup> Arlington, Oregon

- b. Artisans Market & Concert in the Park-August 3<sup>rd</sup>
- c. Pool Fundraiser August 19<sup>th</sup> 5 pm
- d. All Class Reunion August 4<sup>th</sup>-Condon Elks Lodge
- e. Wilson Ranches Retreat Hunter Noack –“In a Landscape” August 7<sup>th</sup>
- f. Gilliam County Fair & Rodeo August 29<sup>th</sup>-September 3<sup>rd</sup>
- g. Condon Elks Lodge ATV/Quad Poker Run September 22<sup>nd</sup> 8 am (RSVP)

**Adjournment:**

The formal business meeting was adjourned at 9:27 am

The next meeting will be on August 09, 2018 – 8:30 am at the Condon Chamber of Commerce

K'Lynn Lane, Appointed Secretary

Date: 07/12/2018