

April 2024 - Chamber Meeting

April 10, 2024 | River Street Meeting Room, Cathlamet Washington



Minute Taker Steve Carson
 Attendees

Item	Type	Note
Call to order	AGENDA	Shannon called meeting to order 10:01 am
Approval of Minutes	DECISION	Approved reluctantly
Treasurer's Report	DECISION	Due to a password issue Quickbooks reporting wasn't complete.
Blooms Report	INFO	Ryan reported that he met with Donna to discuss the program. The budget was discussed. There was discussion on funding of the program. The committee will bring additional information next meeting on what is needed.
Staff Updates	INFO	<p>Chamber Board Survey - Ryan will be sending out a survey to help the staff to plan and align with board opinions</p> <p>Hook the Hawg Wrap up - 105 Registered up from 75 2023. \$3,090 in fees, up from \$1,850. 26 fish submitted (6 in 2023). \$228.20 in advertising which was down from 2023 also (\$717.76). There were much discussion regarding direct mail marketing, benefit to the community evaluation and other comments.</p> <p>Bald Eagle Days - Looking for planning committee members, volunteer signups, and schedule a first planning meeting. Dan outlined vendor pricing changes. There was discussion regarding the Art in the Park area, and the origin of the event which is a Museum event on Bald Eagle Days. The first committee meeting is Thursday the 18th at 8 am.</p> <p>Membership Update - 105 standard members, 3 contract members, 10 reciprocal members. There have been 7 signups with the 2024 benefits package. No current feedback on 2024 changes.</p>
Public Comment	INFO	<p>Steve mentioned the upcoming disc golf tournament and presented opportunities in which the Chamber could be involved.</p> <p>Cathlamet welcome sign discussion continues with a drawing and proposal</p> <p>Sam talked about his Port 2 comprehensive plan update. He also applied for a grant \$1.25M to redo the fields at Vista Park for youth soccer, softball and basketball court.</p> <p>Todd thanked the Chamber for supporting the upcoming street market at the Marina. He suggested several marketing ideas for the season.</p> <p>Dan shared information on the Washington State Chili Cook-off. We've been invited to check out this year's event with the possibility of running the event next year in Wahkiakum County.</p> <p>Mary Walker moved to area about a year ago. Renovating a farm on the island. Looking to start a woman owned business support group. Sam shared information about the Port's annex and upcoming programs designed to support small businesses.</p> <p>Dave shared that the City of Rainier sending a delegation to review our public WiFi system</p>
Upcoming Events	INFO	<p>May meeting - May 8 10 am</p> <p>June meeting - June 12 10 am</p> <p>Business After Hours - TBD May - Wahkiakum Realty Sponsor</p>
Adjournment	AGENDA	Shannon adjourned the meeting at 11:40 am