

# **Wahkiakum Chamber of Commerce**

## **Regular Business Meeting- Minutes**

### **Attendees:**

Ryan Murillo	Kay Walters
Steve Carson	Gene Oniel
Garrett Radcliffe	Mackenzie Jones
Richard Erikson	Kirk Mcknight
Robert Jungers	Diana Zimmerman

**Call to Order:** 10:35am

### **Approval of Minutes**

Richard made a motion to approve, Bob seconded. Unanimously approved.

### **Add Agenda Topics and Approve Agenda**

No changes made.

### **Committee Reports**

#### **Finance**

##### Treasurer Report

Presented by Ryan, with Kim's absence.

-Waiting on County and ADO money to come through.

-October ended with a profit of \$2600. Money spent included \$1,400 for storage unit and \$800+ for Crab Feed Wine.

#### **Tourism**

Nothing to report, no Hotel/Motel Applications came through.

#### **Chamber Staff**

##### Director's Report

-5 renewals, 3 new members: Cartesian Origins, CP Design Works, and Cathlamet WHEELhouse.

-Downtown Trick or Treat and HS Trunk or Treat were successful with great attendance at both. Discussed plans of moving the planning/coordinating of this event to another organization.

-Small Business Saturday is coming up and the Chamber is coordinating the Tree Lighting and Lighted parade to coincide and encourage people to shop local downtown.

-County raised Hotel/Motel funding to 100%. Will be meeting with the Town of Cathlamet on Monday to discuss contract and funding opportunities, especially for Bald Eagle Days

-November 8<sup>th</sup> was the premiere of The Columbia Coast television program. Difficulty accessing and finding the program from providers was discussed. Will inquire with Wahkiakum West on options. Discussion about a viewing party of some sort for the Wahkiakum specific episode ensued, staff will look into options.

-Currently just finishing up contracts and 2026 Budget finalization for Board review and approval.

**Unfinished Business**

-Still have 3 outstanding Board positions open. 1 application has come in. Board members to do some outreach and recruitment.

- January will need to select officers and positions.

**New Business**

-Gene brought up the 2026 Calendar and how that is going. Ryan informed the group that we will be going back to paper calendars, but on a quarterly basis. More information, including deadlines for submitting events will be thought out and finalized.

**Public Comment**

-Kay Walters inquired on whether the Chamber was responsible for blue banners that have become worn in Skamokawa. No one present had any knowledge of the Chamber being responsible for these.

-Diana Zimmerman thanked the Chamber for help in promoting the Living Well in Wahkiakum event. She reported the event brought in over 150 people, administered 16 vaccines, 50 health screenings, and Dept of Licensing was able to assist 27 community members. This event will repeat annually on the first Friday in November.

**Meeting was adjourned at 11:13.**

*Respectfully submitted by Garrett Radcliffe.*