

**OROFINO CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
REGULAR MEETING OF APRIL 18, 2007
PONDEROSA BANQUET ROOM**

CALL TO ORDER

President Connie Robison called the meeting to order at 12:20 p.m. There were 17 members and 12 guests present. Staff included Burnham.

MINUTES

The minutes of the general membership meeting are now being emailed to the membership with the meeting reminders. The minutes of the general membership meeting were approved as presented.

GUESTS

Dan Burnham introduced his guest, Kim Mitchell, U. S. Bank District Manager for the Lewis-Clark market. Jeff Jones proudly introduced his daughter, Sarah and her friend Matt Switzer. Other guests were Ron Ihli with North American Directory Services and Judy Howard with the Gorge Group. Our program speakers were Sixth Grade Teacher, Sandy Lawrence and her students; Tate Wilson, R.J. Chandler, Chad Sundberg, Garrett Senefsky, Kate Conner and Darby Browning.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Show and Shine will take place July 21st. The scholarships have been increased to 2 \$1500 scholarships for students pursuing automotive vocational schools. The next Show and Shine meeting is May 9th at the Dist. 171 Superintendent office.

Idaho Parks and Recreation will host their 1st annual ATV safety course in the City Park from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday April 28th. For more information contact Don West at 476-5994.

Judy Howard with the Gorge Group announced that Orofino is now on the radar with Verizon and encouraged those having problems with Verizon service to call and open trouble tickets.

In conjunction with Community Clean Up Day, there will be a Community garage sale on Saturday April 28th at the Fair Building in the City Park. Cost for a booth is \$3, \$5, or \$7 depending on the size of your booth.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Community Clean up Day is coming up April 28th and we will be sprucing up Heritage Plaza and the parking lot at that time. Please mark your calendars for that day and bring your gloves, rakes and shovels, and powered yard tools. We do need a count for those of you who will be joining us in the City Park afterwards for hotdogs and sodas.

Booze Basket tickets are available now until the night of the auction. Tickets are \$1 each or 8 for \$5. We also have auction tickets available for you today at \$25 each or 2/\$45.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Public Affairs- The committee will meet tomorrow at 7:00 a.m. and be discussing the Economic Summit in June.

Promotional- Business after Hours which was hosted last week by Lodge at River's Edge and Dining on the Edge was a success. High Country Inn will host in June and Lewis-Clark Credit Union in July.

Special Events- The Auction will take place May 4th at Lodge at River's Edge. This year's theme is "Orofino's Night in Hollywood". The tickets are \$25 each or 2/\$45 and include dinner, a drink ticket, a commemorative glass, and entry into the door prize drawing. Committee members will be around to sell tickets next week.

Welcome and Membership- No Report

Economic Development – Chris Kuykendall was in a meeting in Moscow, so Mayor Pippenger reported for her. The Request for Proposals for funding for the program for the next three years is due the first part of May. More private sector monetary and time support is needed. Mayor Pippenger passed out pledge sheets to the membership.

GEM- No Report

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

No Report

PROGRAM

Programs – May 2, Danielle Hardy – Teen Center
May 16, Back Country Medics
June 6, Officer Dodge and the Drug Dog

Vice-President Ryan Smathers introduced our program speakers led by 6th Grade Teacher, Sandy Lawrence. Lawrence reported that nineteen students from Orofino Elementary and Junior High Schools have been working on a project involving designing and building cars powered by hydrogen fuel cells. This is the second year that a grant has been received for this project.

The students will take their cars to Rathdrum on Saturday to compete for speed and straightness as well as weight pulling. The winning team goes on to compete in a Department of Energy national competition in June.

The students demonstrated their hydrogen fuel cell cars for the membership and answered questions.

There being no further business, President Robison adjourned the meeting at 12:55 p.m.

Connie Robison, President

ATTESTED:

Heather R. Burnham, Executive Director