



GM Agenda January 3rd, 2018

- **Call to Order:**
President Bobbi Samuels called meeting to order at 12:15pm.
- **Minutes:**
Connie Robison read the minutes and made a motion to approve the minutes as written, Ashley Steinbruecker 2nd the motion. Motion granted.
- **Guests:**
Paul Pence introduced Gus Garby as the new Park Manager. Connie Robison introduced Danny Lund the Manager of Wells Fargo. Earl Musick introduced his dad Rick Musick, one of his agents who is their land specialist. Earl also introduced Teena Poxleitner as one of their agents who “will sell anything☺” she mostly does country homes and acreage. Bobbi Samuels introduced our two new board of directors, Heather Smathers and Sean Simmons.
- **Announcements:**
Jo Moore announced that the CMPL is very close to their first goal to complete Phase 1. They will begin taking the house next to the library down beginning in February and will break ground for the new building in March. She thanked everyone that has made donations and supported their efforts.
- **Drawing for Free Lunch & Gift**

Jo Moore was the Winner of free lunch

Danny (Wells Fargo Manager) was the winner of the Maniac Hat.
- **Executive Director Report: Melina Johnson**
Christmas event has been wrapped up, Orofino Flower Shop was the winner of the window decorating contest, they won by several votes. I have been wrapping up the end of year finances, bills, taxes, etc. and working on what the New Year has to bring. Getting our events calendar put together, 2018 budget, etc. Have begun work on our biggest fundraiser, the Chamber Auction. We joined NCITA (North Central Idaho Travel Association) and I will sit on the board so we can be involved in where this organization is going for 2018.
- **Committee Reports**
 - **CCED – Chris St. Germain:**
Christ is busy enjoying her time on the Ski Hill, no report received from Chris.
 - **Legislative Committee –**
Tony R. Snodderly, the Regional Director for Senator Mike Crapo gave a report on what congress is working on for the New Year. Congress has mentioned their priorities for now to be the budget (Jan.19 deadline), immigration, farm bill, an infrastructure bill,

military spending, healthcare (focused more on children) and opioids abuse. Fire funding has a good chance to be addressed this year. Senator Crapo's bill number S. 2155 "Economic Growth, Regulatory Relief and Consumer Protection Act" is supported by Senator McConnell to be brought to the senate floor early in the year. The bill make it easier for community banks/credit unions to make loans and do business in rural communities along with provide consumer protection to consumers who fall victim to fraud an tough financial times.

➤ **Welcoming's-**

Olive's Auto Parts still needs their welcoming but they are currently on vacation. Working on getting them to the February Meeting.

➤ **Special Events:**

Chamber Auction:



Working on getting the flyers, posters and tickets ready. Will begin handing out flyers and auction donation letters next week when I go hand out new chamber stickers and survey.

➤ **New Business:**

None Reported

• **Program: Superintendent Dr. Michael Garrett for School District 171**

Dr. Michael Garrett introduced himself and gave a quick overview, he is from Missouri, he was born and raised there, and he raised his children there and started looking for a place he wanted to spend the rest of his life and ended up in Orofino ID. He has been here 6 months now, and can now get his Idaho hunting license☺ Michael is from a long line of educators, his Mom, Dad and older sister are all educators. He got a late start to his career in education. He started his undergraduate degree when he was 37 and ended up getting his doctorate. He loves it here in Orofino.

Some of his priorities are:

To work together as a whole district, there is a variety of schools in this district, small to big in six different locations, from troubled kids in Pierce having to apply to be part of the district to small one room schoolhouses. He wants all schools in the district to work together, share resources, etc. He wants everyone to work together as a team, each individual is important from janitor to teacher to administrator, and all people need to treat people as people no matter where they are. He would like to see the teamwork and sharing of resources stretch even beyond just the district so that district to district we are working more closely together.

Some Negatives have happened at the HS regarding the bomb threats, he has to look at legal issues, policies and doing what is really right. There are some policies and procedures that are being changed to make sure we have a safe environment for our children. He really wants to push safety. There is a constant learn and improve process.

There is a tax levy coming up in March and Michael stressed the importance of community support for this. He gave some comparisons of here versus Missouri where he is from, in Missouri there is about a 75% local funding and 25% Government Funding versus here where we have more of a 75% Government Funding and 25% local. He stressed how fortunate we are to have such an immense amount of support. There are tiles down, improvements need made, new roofs are needed, heating/cooling issues need fixed, and support is needed to make these improvements. Some of the things that need work that the tax levy would be helping with are:

OES- roofing fixes, heating/cooling issues fixed, security systems added, loading and unloading zones added/fixed.

HS – updates on doors, have a welcoming at the front door so people know where to go when they enter the building, the gym ceiling fixed, concrete steps fixed.

Timberline – is in pretty good shape

Cavendish & Peck – roofs need to be resealed.

Lots of additional Q&A that I did not record.

- **Adjourn:**

Meeting adjourned at 1:07pm

Those in attendance:

Sean Simmons(Nightforce), Mike and Joan Mount(Green Things Nursery), Elizabeth(Clearwater Tribune), Ryan Smathers(LCCU & Mayor), Heather Smathers(Debco), Bobbi Samuels(Hansen's Garage), Dr. Michael Garrett(Superintendent Jt School Dist 171), Lynne Herring(HR Manager at CVHC), Jeff Jones(KLER), Monica Jones(Dept of Labor), Diane Hairston(Dept of Labor), Ashley Steinbruecker(CVHC), Earl & Emily Musick, Rick Musick, Teena Poxleitner, Sammie Beck (United Country Steelhead Realty), Paul Pence & Gus Garby(Army Corp of Engineers), Connie Robison & Danny(Wells Fargo), Tony Stodderly(Regional Director for Senator Mike Crapo), John Goffinet(Goffinet & Clack), Jo Moore(High Country Inn), Melina Johnson(Executive Director)