

GM Agenda December 5, 2018 **12pm Ponderosa Conference Room**

- **Call to Order:**
Meeting called to order at 12:07 p.m. by President Ann Wright.
- **Minutes:**
Heather Smathers read meeting minutes and made a motion to approve as written, Matt Sartini 2nd the motion, all in favor, motion carried.
- **Guests:**
Lahni Ireland & Chief Wilson
- **Announcements:**
Jo Moore made an announcement for the Clearwater Memorial Public Library Foundation. The Library has greeting cards for sale at the Library. All proceeds will go to the Library Expansion and your purchase is tax deductible.



- **Drawing for Free Lunch**
Michelle Gladhart won the drawing for the free lunch.

- **Executive Director Report: Tessa Mullinix**

Thank you all for the nice welcome, I am excited to be here as the new Executive Director for the Orofino Chamber of Commerce.

CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL

I heard lots of compliments down at the park during the lighting and events. We had plenty of hot chocolate and cookies to go around. The lights looked great considering we have lost so many through the years. Toby Atkinson worked hard and did a great job!

We had a total of 18 parade entries this year and our winners were as follows:

- 3rd place winner- Army Corps of Engineers
- 2nd place Grays Dental Office
- 1st place Orofino Builder Supply

Our 1st place sponsor was The Real Estaters, 2nd place sponsor was Clearwater Health & Rehabilitation of Cascadia and our 3rd place sponsor was Sandy River Marketing. I did confirm that all of the winners of the parade are donating their winnings to Christmas 911 put on by the Orofino City Police Department.

This year I will form a committee that will be in charge of taking the lights down at the park. Hopefully we can come up with a system so we can salvage any and all lights we have so we don't run into any issues of damaged lights.

I took a bunch of décor and Christmas festival supplies back to storage on Sunday.

A few changes we will make next year are, 1) shorten the parade route and 2) set times for each event that is taking place.

I am working on our "Thank You" that will go out to the Tribune, our website and social media for everyone's contributions to making this year's festival a success.

CHAMBER MERCHANDISE:

Our new chamber merchandise items are being printed which include T-Shirts, Sweatshirts, Shot Glasses and Key Chains all with a newly designed logo.

CITY MAPS:

We have been working on getting our City Maps approved for print. Final proof will be today and WebInk Designing & Printing will get materials ordered and printed ASAP.

We were able to get a total of 12 business sponsor ads for our maps: Helgeson Pace & Hotel, Lewis & Clark State College, The Real Estaters - Keith Nichols & Kathy Pence, Best Western Lodge at River's Edge, Clearwater Crossing RV Park, Clearwater Country KLER, The High Country Inn, Hanson Garage, My Sweet Escape, Clearwater Valley Hospitals and Clinics, and Professional Realty Services - Sammie Beck.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

I am working on Membership renewal invoices now.

COMEDY NIGHT

Our Comedy Night is set for Friday, February 15th, 2018 at the Best Western Lodge at River's Edge. Doors will open at 7:00 p.m. and show starts at 7:30 p.m. There will be a full bar in service. Our opening act is Bahiyiyh Mudd and our headliner is Susan "Cupcake" Jones. Tickets are \$20 per person in advance or \$25 per person at the door. Tickets will be sold at LCCU, Best Western Lodge at River's Edge and the Orofino Chamber of Commerce office. Tickets will go on sale Friday, December 7th, 2018.

Flyers are done and printed and will be hung as soon as tickets go on sale.

WEBCAMS

With the change in chamber directors this has been put on hold but research will resume this following week so this task can be completed.

- **Committee Reports**

- **CCED – Chris St. Germaine’s Report:** Update given on 12/5/2018 through email. NOAA-National Marines Fisheries Service comment letter. It will be submitted Wednesday afternoon.

Railroad Update: debris clearing was done before Thanksgiving; We expect to have a RFP for Engineering out this week; We are working on the county-railroad agreement regarding performance of grant funded activities.

- **Legislative Committee** – No Update.

- **Welcoming’s-** No New Welcoming’s

- **Special Events:**

- **Window Decorating Contest:** Dec. 1st-16th - Community members, go vote!
 - P1FCU - Drive-Thru Window
 - My Sweet Escape
 - Whiskey Creek Artisans
 - Orofino Physical Therapy
 - LCCU

- **New Business:**

- **Board Elections**

The Orofino Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors has four positions that are up for renewal this year. Each member at the meeting was given a ballot to vote. The votes were tallied and current board members Bobbi Samuels, Ryan Smathers, Scott Taylor, and Ashley Steinbruecker will renew their terms on the board.

- **Guest Speaker: Lahni Ireland & Chief Wilson with the Orofino City Police Department will discuss Christmas 911, the purpose and the community support.**

Chief Wilson & Lahni Ireland spoke on behalf of the Orofino Police Department about Christmas 911 and what it’s purpose is in our community. For the last nine years, the Orofino Police Department has been providing full Christmas dinners and gifts to families in our area who were experiencing hardships and most likely would not have had much for Christmas. Each year they accept donations from businesses and community members to fund the program. Chief Wilson stated that they have been able to provide meals and gifts for up to approximately 30 families and 70 children a year. The meals included turkeys, hams, mashed potatoes, gravy, stuffing, rolls, vegetables, milk and desserts. The needs of each child are identified to us early on, so the gifts accommodate their needs. This year they have more families in need and are a little short on funds this year. If anyone is interested in donating, you may do so by dropping your monetary donation off at the Orofino Police Department. Those who are donating and helping in this matter are truly making difference in the lives of many children.

- **Adjourn:**

Meeting was adjourned at 12:47 p.m.