

Cascade Chamber of Commerce Meeting Minutes 9/13/2022

Meeting Attendance: 16 in person and 0 via phone

Meeting Start: 12:01 pm, Lakefront Bar & Grill

Meeting Minutes

Motion by Tom to approve minutes from July 26, 2022 meeting, Belinda second. All in favor. Motion passed.

(August 9th & August 23rd meetings cancelled)

Treasurer Report –

None – Pam on vacation.

Secretary Report - Alison

Nothing to report.

Welcome Guests/New Members

Nick Teresko, District Manager, Cascade Aquatic & Recreation Center, districtmanager@cascaderec.org, (208) 382-5136, introduced himself and expressed he is very excited about being involved with the chamber.

He announced a variety of classes are underway and encouraged everyone to check out the center.

<https://cascadeaquatic.myrec.com/info/default.aspx>

West Central Mountains Economic Development Council (WCMEDC)

Lindsay Harris: WCMEDC Executive Director, wcmecidaho@gmail.com (208)315-1449 introduced herself and expressed she looks forward to working with the chamber. WCMEDC is hosting an Economic Summit on Oct 3rd at the Shore Lodge, McCall. Registration is \$50 which includes lunch. She provided Economic Summit overview, said they are still seeking event sponsors, and encouraged attendance. Find Agenda and Registration here: <https://wcmecdc.org/economic-summit/>

Chamber Office – Julie

Fall Banners installed on Main Street this week. Thank you to Alison, Cascade Community Church; and, Jared Peña, Domination Fitness for helping get the banners swapped. Jeff asked if Tackle Tom's could get a fall banner – Julie will get a fall banner and install parts to Tackle Tom's next week.

It's time to renew Cascade Chamber membership to Southwest Idaho Tourism Assn (SWITA) - \$75.00 annual membership. Motion by Belinda. Second by Scotty. All in Favor. Motion passed.

Sponsorship Request for Cascade Birds of Prey Classic Disc Golf Tournament. Due to time constraints and cancellation of the August chamber meetings, Tom approved \$100.00 sponsorship donation for the event (Sep 10th) – Sponsorship check for \$100.00 issued 9/6/22). The sponsorship amount was in keeping with previous sponsorships (refer to 12/14/21 minutes for amount justification <https://www.cascadechamber.com/meeting-minutes/>). Motion by Belinda to accept sponsorship amount (\$100.00) approved by Tom. Second by Gary. All in favor. Motion passed. Tom reported he attended event and spoke with several participants (80 competitors), a diverse crowd and expressed what an opportunity Cascade has in the realm of disc golf. Julie noted one of the 2022/2023 ITC Grant goals is to better promote this venue as well as other disc golf courses in our region.

Request for Chamber Letter of Support – City of Cascade application for T-Mobile Hometown Grant (50k) for Sports Park improvements. The City continues to submit this grant application request. Motion by Belinda for Chamber to submit letter of support for T-Mobile Hometown Grant. Second by Megan. All in favor. Motion passed.

Rqst for Chamber Ltr of Support – Cascade Geothermal Heating/Cooling District Grant Application. Presentation made by Scotty providing overview of ongoing efforts to better utilize geothermal resources available in Cascade and Long Valley area. Grant application submission deadline is Oct 11th. Motion by Jeff to submit letter of support for a Geothermal Heating/Cooling District. Second by John. All in favor. Motion passed.

2022 Cascade Chamber Annual Award Recognition – Julie

To date, have only received three nominations. Will send out a “Last Call” email this week with response due no later than Wednesday, Sep 21st. Voting will take place during the Sep 27th chamber meeting.

Hog Wild (Oct 22nd) - Scotty

Everything on track for event. Tickets on sale at Umpqua Bank, Lakefront, Tackle Tom’s, Trinity Pines, and Chamber Office.

Mindi is still seeking sponsors for auction and raffle items. If interested contact Mindi at Mindi.Anderson@maximizesolutions.org , (607)651-5908

Waterfall Project – Jeff & John

New pump installed, timer installed, there is a pile of rocks that need to be placed back in the waterfall pond. Project group still monitoring gaps that need grout to keep water within feature. Julie noted the “Cascade Waterfall” account will be used to pay power bill. Julie contacted Idaho Power and “Waterfall Account” now under the Chamber. Water’s Edge will continue to provide water and cover water cost. The City’s Public Works will include Cascade Waterfall in winterization cycle with Sports Park, etc.

3rd Annual Scarecrow Contest – Julie

Kick-off Oct 1st. Displays need to be in place by Oct 22nd. Voting Oct 29th through Nov 12th. Entry fee is \$10.00. Pam is event lead.

“Trunk or Treat” & “Trick or Treat” (Oct 31st) – Julie

For planning purposes, wanted to confirm who will be participating this year: Yes = D9 Parking Lot, Cascade Medical Center, Tackle Tom’s, Valley Bait & Tackle, Palooza, City Hall, Squirrel Outdoors, Umpqua Bank, Cascade Community Church, Cascade Auto, etc.

OPEN DISCUSSION

Cascade Aquatic & Rec Center – Nick

They are having a pumpkin carving contest Oct 28th. They have tumbling classes, soccer, group & private kayak lessons going right now.

Mayor –

Cascade City Library is now open. Please come by and take a look. What a great resource here in Cascade.

Artificial Intelligence (AI) cameras are scheduled for installation on city water towers for fire prevention mitigation.

Tackle Tom’s – John & Jeff

Mud Boggs event went well and raised funds for Valley Community Cares (VCC). “Ragin Cajun” concert with Cajun food scheduled for Sep 24th at Tackle Tom’s. ½ of proceeds will go to Cascade Schools Lunch Program and the other ½ will go to VCC.

Jeff wants to know how to resume event signage banners across HWY 55. Julie stated she is fully aware of the permit process and encouraged Jeff to contact her for more information.

Cascade Schools – Joni

The first Ramblers home football game in three years is this Friday, 4pm, at Cascade Sports Park.

The “Mother Son” dance is Saturday at 6pm in the little gym.

The school NEEDS bus drivers desperately. Please contact Joni at the school if you have any interest in helping out.

“Kindness Week” will be held the week of Sep 26th in honor of Kristina Rowley. Sep 27th is “High-five Tuesday”. Come to the school and give the kids high-fives as they start or end their day.

Strategic Planning process for the next 3-5 years has started.

Cascade Community Church (CCC) – Alison

The CCC Day Care Center has openings.

Food Pantry – Sandi

Partnered with other local organizations during the “Four Corners Fire” evacuation event. The garden plots are going strong. Currently, they are serving 115-125 families each distribution. Throughout summer, have been able to provide fresh/local produce.

Perpetua Resources – Belinda

Permitting comment period has been extended (again). Contact Belinda directly with any questions, comments, or concerns. Belinda Provancher, Community Relations, Belinda.provancher@perpetua.us, (208)440-5163.

Watkins Pharmacy – Tom

Per the Watkins Pharmacy Facebook page & posts, the intent is to open a temporary pharmacy and store, and rebuild. Still working through insurance.

Cascade Medical Center (CMC) – Tom

The CMC has stopped giving COVID booster shots at this time due to replacement of the old boosters with a new booster formulated for the new variants. CMC is waiting for most recent version of booster before resuming giving shots. FLU shots are available now. For most updated information see CMC website <https://cmchd.org/>

Next meeting, Noon, Tues, September 27th, at Cascade Schools, Rm 135

Meeting End: 1:20 pm