

## Cascade Chamber of Commerce

### Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, December 10th, 2024, at Lakefront Bar & Grill

**Call to order:** 11 people attended, started at 12:07pm, ended 1:04pm

**Approval of minutes from last meeting:** Oct 8th, Oct 22nd, and Nov 12th meeting minutes. Motion by Mrs. Tibs and seconded by AJ. All in favor. Motion passed.

**Treasurer Report:** Not present

**Secretary Report:** No report

**Welcome guests and new members:** Zack Grogan, LCSP Mgr, introduced Dalton Crane as the new Asst Mgr for LCSP.

#### Office, Communications, and Media

- 1) **ITC Grant 23/24 Reimbursement:** Julie presented a check for \$1,808.87 for admin overhead cost reimbursement available via the ITC Grant 23/24 cycle.
- 2) **2024 Scarecrow Contest:** Winners: 1<sup>st</sup> place is Odd Duck Coffee Winter, 2<sup>nd</sup> place is Cascade Medical Center and 3<sup>rd</sup> place is Squirrel Outdoors. A laminated award certificate with a picture of display was presented to the winning businesses.
- 3) **2024 Holiday Main Street - Nov 7th:** Installed Christmas Lights on Main Street poles. Thank you to the volunteers that helped. Thank you LSCP staff for bringing a ladder. Four (4) light poles are not working. Info on location of each inoperable pole has been shared with Cascade Public Works and Mayor. Would appreciate help in getting poles operational - feel free to contact the City direct.
- 4) **2024 Cascade Christmas Tree Lighting - Dec 7th:** It was a success. Thank you to the Grinch and Santa Clause. Also, thank you to ITD (for the tree), Cascade Mercantile, Squirrel Outdoors, Umpqua Bank, and Cascade Community Church. The children enjoyed the lighting ceremony. Recognition certificates were presented to Cascade Business of the Year (Cascade Auto), Volunteer of the Year (Theresa & Russ Perry); Non-profit of the Year (Cascade Fire Community Fund); Youth Volunteer of the Year (Will Huckaby); and Community Leader of the Year (Alysson Statz)

**Media Assistant – Sharon No report**

#### Open Issues –

**2025 Cascade Chamber Board of Directors, Nominating Committee:** Lead will be Mindy, other members will be Joe, Maria and Lydia. Pam has agreed to remain as treasurer. The nominating committee will provide recommendations to the Chamber Office no later than Jan 3, 2025. Voting will be finalized at the next chamber meeting on January 14, 2025.

**2025 Cascade Chamber Fundraising Strategy:** We need to raise \$28,000 before July 4<sup>th</sup> to cover costs of the fireworks display. Motion by Mindi to stand up a Fundraising Committee for the purpose of coming up with a plan. Second by Joe. All in favor, motion passed. The Fundraising Committee will report back to the

chamber at our next meeting on January 14, 2025. Ideas for fundraising: Virtual fundraising, 5K run, Golf tournament, maybe Dad and son/child golf for Father's Day weekend (Jun 14-Jun 15, 2025)

## **Open floor -**

**Umpqua Bank's "Warm Hearts Winter Drive"** going on now through the month of December. Feel free to donate gloves, hats, scarves, blankets, jackets, or financial donations for the cause. For more info stop by the bank.

**"Idaho Community Care Program"** is a statewide program available to educate and support caregivers, family, and other loved ones taking care of an individual with memory concerns, dementia, and Alzheimer's. For more info: 208-898-9626, [ccp@a3ssa.com](mailto:ccp@a3ssa.com), [www.a3ssa.com](http://www.a3ssa.com)

**Tackle Tom's "2025 Cascade Cup", Feb 15 - Feb 16, 2025.** Tackle Tom's is partnering with Scheels for the ice fishing tournament, award ceremony, and afterparty. For more info, keep an eye out on Tackle Tom's [FB page](#).

**Whistle Stop & North 55:** Joe stated he is currently interviewing tenants to manage the Whistle Stop. Joe also mentioned his new business on Main St, "North 55", should be open soon.

**Cascade Food Pantry:** Through fundraising and donations, the pantry was able to surface the parking lot with recycled asphalt, upgrade lighting to LED, epoxy interior floors, and implement use of a spin wheel for limited items. The pantry continues to serve an average of 145 families. .

**"LCSP Free Winter Access Day" on Jan 4th:** Nordic skiing and snowshoeing will take place at Hasbrouck Ranch. Rentals, activities, and more will be available.

**Amazon Hub Delivery:** Lydia indicated Amazon provides sponsorships. Just send her an email [lydiaroy@amazon.com](mailto:lydiaroy@amazon.com) so she can submit a donation request for review and consideration.

**Cascade Public Library:** The library is looking for a children's artist to help them apply for an art grant for wall art in the library's new edition and outdoor playground area. The library also has a vacant board seat. Anyone interested should reach out to Maria, [librarydirector@cascadeid.us](mailto:librarydirector@cascadeid.us). The library is accepting cash donations or lightly used books and hardcover books.

**Cascade Fire Community Fund:** Mindi stated they have 75 jugs of water available to anyone who can use it. Contact [cascadefirecommunityfund@gmail.com](mailto:cascadefirecommunityfund@gmail.com) if you can use the water.

Next meeting Tuesday, January 14th, 2025, location TBD.

Thank you.