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REGULAR MEMBERSHIP

Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, January 28th | 12 PM

Lakefront Bar & Grill

(117 Lakeshore Drive)

I. Call Meeting to Order

- A. Meeting start at 12:00 PM | 15 members in attendance
- B. Welcome to Steve Cochran and Leo Martinez from Orica (guests)
- C. Approval of January 14th regular meeting minutes:
 - 1. Julie received two updates from Tom and will change January 14th minutes.
 - 2. Mindi motioned to approve minutes with corrections, Kayla seconded. All in favor.

II. Finance Report

- A. Checking: \$8,088.11
- B. Money Market: \$10,144.85
- C. Certificate of Deposit (CD): \$15,696.26
 - 1. Matures March 31, 2025
- D. 2025 Membership Dues: \$6,410.00 (45 members)
- E. Maria motioned to approve the finance report, Mindi seconded. All in favor.

III. Secretary Report

- A. No report

IV. Office, Communications, & Media

- A. Office & Communications (Julie)
 - 1. No report
- B. Media (Sharon)
 - 1. No report

V. Events Committee & Membership Committee Updates

- A. No change to list of proposed events since last meeting.
- B. Reviewing current membership statuses and dues, with the possibility of recommending updates to Chamber by-laws to further define types of memberships and associated dues.
- C. Looking to increase sponsorships for events to increase revenue.
- D. Next meeting is scheduled for Friday, January 31st at 12:00 PM at the Chamber Office.

VI. Board of Directors (BoD) Update

A. 2025 Election Results:

1. President: Mindi (Maximize Solutions)
2. Vice President: Kayla (Mrs. Tibs Bakery)
3. Treasurer: Pam (Umpqua)
4. Secretary: Krysten (City of Cascade)
5. Members at Large: Amber (Arrowhead RV Park) & DJ (Squirrel Outdoors)

VII. Open Business

A. Presentation from Perpetua and Orica, one of the world's largest producers of cyanide:

1. Belinda introduced Steve Cochran and Leo Martinez from Orica (formally known as Cyanco) to discuss how cyanide will be used in the Stibnite mining project while making sure the local community remains safe and informed. Perpetua and Orica are meeting with multiple organizations, including the Cascade Chamber of Commerce, Cascade Medical Center, and Cascade Fire Department, to discuss their processes and mitigation measures as a part of their community outreach. Cyanide is a critical agent in the process of mining for gold and silver because it attracts each metal from the mined ore. Any company involved in the manufacturing, transport, use, and disposal of cyanide must meet international and national standards during initial and re-certification qualification. Perpetua has plans in place to conduct safe transport, storage, use, and disposal of cyanide in the mining process, including providing protective equipment, training, and mitigation measures to its employees. In the event of cyanide exposure, antidotes will be available on site and to first responders and medical providers. Steve concluded the presentation with reminding the meeting that cyanide can be used safely and effectively in the mining process, and a robust mining operation can provide growth and economic opportunity for the community.

B. Around-the-room discussion

1. Michelle (Lakefront): Contacted State Parks & Rec regarding a permit to have the vendor/food fair at the Van Wyck Campground during Fourth of July celebration. To apply for the permit, application must include insurance, list of vendors, and a plan for parking, crowd control, and sanitization.
2. Maria (Library): The library is looking for 2 people to fill open Board of Trustees positions. Commitment is 2 hours each month to meet and discuss library business. Must reside within City limits to apply. If interested, contact Maria Guest, 208-382-4757, librarydirector@cascadeid.us.
3. Maria (Community/Senior Center): The Senior Center is currently closed, but is looking for 4 members to fill board positions. It also needs additional support cooking, serving food, and driving food to local seniors once it reopens. If interested, contact Cindy Rich, 208-667-4461, bsgal37@gmail.com.

4. Mindi (Cascade Fire Community Fund): The Cascade Fire Community Fund is offering up to \$6000 in scholarships to any high school or adult student pursuing a career as a First Responder (law enforcement, fire fighter, EMT, dispatcher, etc.). Scholarship amount will depend on the number of qualified applicants. Application window opens in February.
5. Lydia (Amazon Hub): Currently looking at a spring 2025 launch. No contract to participate and Amazon will pay \$.70 per mile per vehicle.. Businesses are encouraged to complete the intake form to save their spot, but Lydia will reach out again before the launch to make sure each business is still on board with participating in the program. If interested, contact Lydia Roy, 208-960-5205, lydiaroy@amazon.com.

Adjourned: 12:55 PM

******Next Regular membership meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 11th at 12 PM.
Location TBD.***