

Castle Rock
Chamber of Commerce Meeting
Minutes, November 9, 2006
Castle Rock Senior Center

President Coni Bush called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

Members present: Sharon Traub, Mayor Barbara Larsen, Rick Walton, Myron Nelson, Sandra Keatley, Mark Plotkin, Linda Bauska, Chief Bob Heuer, and Carolyn Kennington

Secretary's report—approved as printed

Treasurer's report—approved as printed

It was moved and passed that the remaining \$352.50 of the Leaf for Relief Fund be rolled into the General Fund.

It was moved and passed that \$355. be donated to the City Decoration Fund. This amount should be enough to purchase two new decorations.

Signage—It was reported the new city signs are in and will be installed as time and weather permit.

T-Shirts/Sweatshirts—Sandra present a report on the cost of T-shirts and Sweatshirts from three firms she had checked with since our last meeting. It was felt more information was needed. Coni was to check with Kalama in regards to the number and sizes of shirts they sell at their special events. Linda said she would acquire the original logo. It was also stated that the Chamber needs to get a sales tax number in order to sell the shirts. Until we obtain further information the report was tabled.

Information Sheet—Carolyn presented a sample that she and Ryana had worked on. It was felt some of the information should be available on the Web Page. Coni presented a copy of the Festival Event Calendar. No action was taken.

Christmas Decorating Contest—Coni will get the applications to the businesses. Judging will take place on December 8th. Checks will be awarded at the December 14th Chamber meeting. The Daily News will be asked to attend to take photos.

Tour of Homes—The CAPIC Group will once again have a Tour of Homes on December 10th. Tickets and maps will be available at various businesses in town. The tour begins at Focus Art and Frame Shop, 41 Cowlitz Street W. Six homes will be on display.

In addition to the Tour of Homes the CAPIC Group will have a tree lighting ceremony at 6:30 p.m., December 10th at the Castle Rock Post Office parking lot. Christmas music will set the mood for an enjoyable evening.

Halloween—Coni suggested that the business community plan an event for the 2007 Halloween evening.

Flu Shots--Myron reminded the members that the 2nd flu shot clinic would be Monday, November 13th, 1 – 3 p.m.

Smoke Alarms--Rick shared with the members that there are now new smoke alarms on the market for the very hard of hearing. The buzz is three times louder and some are equipped with flashing lights. If you know of someone who may be safer with such a device call the Longview Fire Department, 442-5501. The Longview Fire Department is hoping WEYCO will fund the program, as these devices are rather costly.

County Tourism Meeting—Mark Plotkin gave an update on a recent tourism meeting. The Web Site is being revised. The AWESOME visitor's guide has been expanded and will contain much more tourist information about the region. His office is working on an Informational Notebook. LCC's Photo and Journalism Departments are involved in helping his office and for the first time his office will have a Rolling Visitor's Center that can be set up at special events such as Mountain Mania. (The rear of the vehicle will open and have display racks with various visitor information.)

New Business—It was moved and passed that when a new business opens in Castle Rock the Chamber of Commerce would send a plant, not to exceed \$20., welcoming the business to the city.

It was moved a plant be presented to Northwest PT and also a plant be presented to Fibre Federal Credit Union on completion of their new building.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:05 a.m.

THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING WILL BE HELD DECEMBER 14TH, 8:30 A.M. AT THE CASTLE ROCK SENIOR CENTER.