

Castle Rock Chamber of Commerce  
Minutes, January 15, 2009

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

Members present: Henry Karnofski, Coni Bush, Rick Walton, Ashley Opsahl-Scibelli, Myron Nelson, Sharon Traub, Rita Baxter, Mike Vorse, Dave Vorse and Carolyn Kennington

**Secretary's Report**—approved as printed

**Treasurer's Report**—approved as printed

**Membership**—Ashley said she would meet with Ryana and establish a date to get the 2009 Chamber of Commerce applications to the membership. Myron said the senior center could be called upon to stuff, label and stamp the envelopes, if needed.

**Awesome Brochure**—It was moved and passed that the Chamber of Commerce contribute \$500. toward the printing of the *Awesome Brochure*.

**Director of the Exhibit Hall**—Rita Baxter was introduced as the new Director of the Exhibit Hall. Rita stated the annual quilt show at the Exhibit Hall would be the whole month of February. The annual Exhibit Hall Auction will be held on Saturday, April 18<sup>th</sup>. Rita volunteered to get a price on 12 new banners to hang on the poles along Huntington Avenue.

**Business License**—Rick said he attended the city council meeting on December 22<sup>nd</sup>. The council did raise the business license from \$25. to \$75. with the understanding they would review it in a year.

**Health and Safety Fair**—The Chamber of Commerce will sponsor a Health and Safety Fair on Saturday, March 28<sup>th</sup>, 10 – 2 p.m. Myron said he would contact those vendors who attended in 2008 to see if they would like to attend this year. Ashley volunteered to assist him.

**Scholarship**—It was moved and passed that we sponsor two \$500. scholarships. Myron said he would contact the school and coordinate the distribution of the applications.

**Clean-Up Day**—Carolyn said she would be willing to chair the event. The date would depend on the county Free Dump Day. It was also suggested that the plants be purchased this year, rather than ask the Castle Rock Nursery to furnish

the plants for free. This will be further discussed in the February meeting. The senior center would be used to register participants on that Saturday.

**Parking Lot**—Dave reported there is still a title problem with a parcel of land by the Exhibit Hall. When this is resolved the area will be asphalted.

**Cowlitz Street**--Dave also reported the Phase I of Cowlitz Street Water line, storm drain and utilities project will be done this spring, hopefully prior to the tourist season.

**Senior Center President**—Myron reported Jack Reilly is the new President of the Senior Center. He will be given an invitation to attend the Chamber of Commerce meetings.

Meeting Adjourn at 9:30.

**OUR NEXT MEETING WILL BE FEBRUARY 12<sup>TH</sup>, 8:30 A.M, AT THE CASTLE ROCK SENIOR CENTER, 222 2<sup>ND</sup> AVENUE. PLEASE ATTEND, YOUR INPUT IS REQUESTED. THE COFFEE POT WILL BE ON!**