

CEKC-KSABC MEETING (final)

Sept 14, 2015

Lyle Activity Center

Attendees Board and Guests: See attendance sheet

Minutes: Bruce moved to accept the minutes as amended, Johanna 2nd. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: Johanna moved report be accepted, Bruce 2nd, motion passed. A report for each group we sponsor will be given next meeting.

Applications for Sponsorships or Grants: Discussion, no findings.

Farmer's Markets: Alice reported there is \$4,800 in Stevenson's FM account and they might be given to new group if they have a business plan and other contingencies. Any fund must go to a nonprofit. It was noted there is a Farmer's Market Conference in Olympia on Feb 2, 3 2016. Could CEKC provide scholarships?

Senior Living: Ray & Tom are signing papers today. Three people have already shown interest in the coordinator's position. Tom will let us know when he is ready for the second round of funds from the grant.

Economic Development reports: Pat reported a food Co-Op is leasing 8,000 sq. ft. in Stevenson, a bottling company is coming and will be renting 2,000 sq. ft. of office space. MCCED hosted a state meeting with Legislators and Representatives to discussed housing, transportation, broadband and recreation in the Gorge

Johanna reported Gorge Tourism conference is in Oct. State of Ore is sponsoring and CECK may want to be involved.

Denny noted the county had received \$750,000 for a new well at Wishram. No, on the paper plant taking the Aluminum Plant. CenturyLink has 1.9 M per year for the next 3 years for cable in Klickitat County. Part of "Connect America". He suggested every one call them to make sure their area is covered. Klickitat County is # 1 in "Pot Sales" in the state. Orbital from Australia may build and locate at Bingen Port. EDA & Commissioners are soliciting for a consulting firm to update the strategic plan which hasn't been done for years. Question would public be involved? He didn't know. It was noted that Dana Peck is now the head of the Goldendale Chamber of Commerce. Bingen received a Rural Development Grant of \$20 million for housing repairs for low income thru Columbia Cascade.

Discussion led by Johanna on insurance concerns of fresh produce sold at farmers markets or given by the gleaner's. Brian will check with our Insurance agent.

Barbara reported on the water theft at the Activity Center and the Grant (Budget Line Item) the Museum has received.

Alice reported they had done 3 gleanings.

Brian reported our insurance is paid.

Tom told of a program called "World of Vision". Where major stores give new merchandise away to nonprofit organization that join for a nominal fee. Darla is going to go with him to the next give away Wed the 23 of September.

Meeting adjourned. Next Meeting is Monday October 19, 2015 at the Lyle Activity Center.

Barbara Sexton Secretary Pro Tem