

**Port Orford and North Curry Chamber of Commerce
Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Directors
May 11, 2009
Paradise Café**

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Port Orford and North Curry (PO-NC) Chamber Vice-President Jim Billings on May 11, 2009, at 1:00 p.m.

- **Board members present:**
David Smith, Jim Billings, Dian Marple, Cindy Schaumburg, Chuck Schaumburg, Evan Kramer, and Jim Auburn

- **Board members absent:**

- **Participants & guests:**
Ed McQuade-Garrison Lake Committee
Alicia Billings-POORT & chamber webmaster
Brianna Goodwin
Aaron Longton, Fishermen's Association
Christine Richardson-chamber member

Quorum: It was determined that a quorum of the board was present.

Public Input

Brianna Goodwin, Alicia Billings, and Aaron Longton gave a presentation on a proposed Storm Water Ordinance that the City of Port Orford and the Port Orford Ocean Resources Team (POORT) are working on. They have received a grant to fund the wording of the proposed ordinance. They talked about fishing, a healthy eco-system, the Port Orford storm drain system, native plants to filter storm water, and bioswale. The ordinance would affect new construction and development or redevelopment and new streets or redone/disturbed streets. The ordinance would require downspouts, rainwater draining, and possible retention ponds, but would not require retrofits or affect current structures or streets. The group hopes to have the proposed ordinance completed and ready to present to the City in a few months.

President Smith arrived

An announcement was made that the chamber member, the Wool Factory, in Langlois will be having its first anniversary in business on Memorial Day weekend.

Minutes

A motion was made by Chuck Schaumburg, seconded by Evan Kramer, and unanimously carried to approve, as written, the minutes for the March 9, 2009 board meeting of the PO-NC Chamber of Commerce. It was noted that the April board meeting was adjourned and not held for lack of a quorum.

The minutes for the December 8, 2008 board meeting of the PO-NC Chamber of Commerce were not available for review or action. This item was deferred until the next board meeting.

Additions to Agenda

The agenda was approved.

Committee Reports

- **Management & Marketing:**
President Smith gave a brief report.

- **Financial Report:**
Jim Billings gave the financial report.

- **Visitors' Center/Parks Update:**
Jim Billings gave a report on the visitors' center and the parks. The visitors' sign-ins in March were noted. The parks dept is continuing to work on the clean-up.

- **AWRC Report:**
Chuck Schaumburg reported on the America's Wild Rivers Coast (AWRC) matters. He spoke of the 101 Hospitality grant matter, the full-color map, promotional materials and marketing Oregon and California.

- **Garrison Lake Restoration Committee:**
Ed McQuade reported that the committee met recently. The Garrison Lake Restoration Committee was represented at the Water Festival in April 2009, and Ed McQuade manned the booth and promoted Garrison Lake as an animal refuge and fish habitat in addition to an alternate water source for Port Orford.

- **POORT Liaison Report:**

Alicia Billings reported on the POORT happenings, the proposed Storm Water Ordinance, and the marketing by the POORT.

- **Websites:**

Alicia Billings is working on the chamber's websites. Ms. Billings asked the board to decide who on the board will be authorized to add news to the website. Board member, Evan Kramer, was selected. Due to a complaint that she received, Ms. Billings asked the board to modify her contract to reflect that she is not responsible for the content on the chamber's websites. Ms. Billings will modify the language in the contract with the PO/NC Chamber of Commerce and will deliver the modified contract to President Smith to present to the chamber board for approval.

- **Senior Board:**

No report was available.

- **Office Report:**

Jim Billings advised that requests for information were processed by the chamber office, and that he has the July 4th fireworks for sale by the chamber, including the permit, ready to go.

- **North Curry County/Langlois Report:**

Chuck Schaumburg gave a brief report on happenings in the North Curry County/Langlois area.

Old Business

- **Membership Drive:**

The president advised that the membership drive is still ongoing.

- **Advertising:**

There was no report.

- **Speed Sign:**

There was no report.

- **Brochures:**

President Smith is working to get the brochures completed.

New Business

- **Renewals:**

There was a discussion about the chamber's membership renewals. President Smith advised that he would like to have some help

getting the renewals out to the membership, including the letter preparation, labels, printing, and mailing. He will be sending a sample renewal letter to the board for review and comment.

- **Business of the Month – May 2009:**

There was a brief discussion concerning the *Business of the Month* award for May 2009. The U.S. Cellular Store, Totally Cellular was nominated. A motion was made, seconded and unanimously carried that the Business of the Month for May 2009 will be the “U.S. Cellular Store, TOTALLY CELLULAR,” and the president agreed to prepare the appropriate certificate and present it to the Business of the Month.

- **Port Donation:**

David Smith reported that the Port of Port Orford and the POORT are teaming up to get a grant for a new building at the port. They need to raise \$10,000 for a consultant and are requesting a \$250 contribution from the Port Orford-North Curry County Chamber of Commerce. A motion was made, seconded and unanimously carried to contribute \$250 toward getting a grant for a new building at the port.

Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 2:15 p.m.

Future Meetings and Community Events:

6/8/2009 – 1:00 p.m. – Chamber Board Meeting – Port & Starboard
