

Chehalis Community Renaissance Team (CCRT)
September 14, 2018
Meeting Notes

Tanya Laeger called the meeting to order at 8:35 A.M. with the following members present: Jill Anderson, Katie Blurton, Brady Calder, Alex Carpenter, Stacy Davis, Candice Day, Susan DeLaire, Chip Duncan, Trevor Elliott, Michaelyn Erickson, Tiffany Etherton, Terry Harris, Tamara Hayes, Bobby Jackson, Joann Kuehner, Tanya Laeger, Jason Mattson, Mitch Moberg, Nicole Sampson, Lindsey Senter, Heather Stewart, Annalee Tobey, Hunter Weeks, and Ed Wegele

- 1. Welcome and Introductions of Guests:** Tanya Laeger welcomed Alex Carpenter of the Pacific Northwest Cookie Company. Alex explained that the goal of the Pacific Northwest Cookie Company is to create a delicious cookie that everyone can enjoy, regardless of their dietary restrictions. He invited everyone to attend an event at Dutch Brother's coffee in Chehalis on Saturday, September 15th from 12:00 P.M. to 3:00 P.M.
- 2. Partner Updates & News:**
 - a. Veterans Memorial Museum:** Chip Duncan updated the group regarding the success of the summer activities at the Veterans Memorial Museum. Chip invited the group to attend a program for the Korean War POWs and veterans.
 - b. Bartel's Clothing Store:** Annalee Tobey introduced Brady Calder, new owner of Bartel's Clothing, to the group. Brady explained that he had grown up in the area and was excited to contribute to the community.
 - c. Young Professionals of Lewis County:** Trevor Elliott informed the group that the Young Professionals of Lewis County would be holding an event on Wednesday, September 19th at Riverside Golf Course to connect young professionals.
 - d. Executive Director's Report:** Annalee Tobey informed the group that a representative from the Main Street Program would be meeting with the CCRT Board on Thursday, October 11th. Annalee also informed the group that she would be presenting to the lodging tax advisory committee on October 12th. Annalee and Randy Mueller will be presenting to the Lewis County Board of Commissioners on Monday, September 17th regarding an update on the Chehalis Coworks.
- 3. Committee Reports:**
 - a. Promotion:** Lindsey Senter informed the group that they are working on wrapping up final thoughts and feedback from ChehalisFest.
 - b. Economic Restructuring:** Trevor Elliott complimented Joe Kuehner, owner of the San Juan Apartments, on the beautiful alleyway remodel. Trevor informed the group that Chehalis Coworks now has fifteen monthly memberships. Annalee Tobey informed the group that the Harris Auto Building has been scheduled to be demolished within the next six weeks. The mural at Twin Cities Trading Post was briefly discussed and everyone was encouraged to behold its glory.
 - c. Design:** Ed Wegele informed the group that the war on beige continues. Four new, painted garbage can lids have been added downtown, and thirty will be completed in all. Ed also informed the group that the pilot recycling program was going well.
- 4. Other Updates/Announcements/Good of the Order**

- a. Michaelyn Erickson of the Farmer's Market informed the group that the harvest dinner would be coming up soon and would be held at City Farm.
- b. Susan DeLaire informed the group that the Lewis County Tourism booth at the Washington State Fair was very east Lewis County driven and encouraged everyone to help promote west Lewis County as well.
- c. Trevor Elliott thanked the new members of the CCRT Board and informed the group that a ceremony to recognize David Hartz and Allyn Roe for their service to the CCRT will take on Monday, September 24th at the Chehalis City Council meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:33 A.M. by Tanya Laeger.

Next meeting is Friday, October 12th at 8:30 A.M.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Kiley Franz, City Manager's Administrative Assistant.