

Chehalis Community Renaissance Team (CCRT)
March 8, 2019
Meeting Notes

Larry McGee called the meeting to order at 8:34 A.M. with the following members present: Jill Anderson, Katie Blurton, Susan DeLaire, Bill Deutscher, Trevor Elliott, Michael Ervin, Jason Matteson, Larry McGee, Nicole Sampson, Annalee Tobey, Ed Wegele, Elijah White, Brian Wilkins, and Shane Wood

1. Welcome and Introductions of Guests

2. Partner Updates & News:

- a. **City of Chehalis:** Jill Anderson informed the group that the city had participated in a strategic planning session on Thursday, March 7th. During the session, the city council and management team acknowledged 53 accomplishments in the last 6 months; Jill Anderson reviewed some of these accomplishments and a few of the newly identified goals with the group.
- b. **Twin Cities Sports Commission:** Elijah White explained that the main focus of the Sports Commission is to bring tourism to the area. He explained that he is currently working with Annalee Tobey to create a community calendar. Elijah White briefly informed the group of upcoming promotions and events.
- c. **Young Professionals of Lewis County:** Trevor Elliott informed the group that the Young Professionals of Lewis County began to take their meetings to new locations to encourage attendance.
- d. **Executive Director's Report:** Annalee Tobey thanked the local media for the positive coverage of the CCRT's projects. She also thanked all of the B&O Tax contributors for their support. Annalee Tobey also informed the group that she had met with Representatives Orcutt and Debolt regarding the changes in the community.

3. Committee Reports:

- a. **Promotion:** Ed Wegele informed the group that the organization of ChehalisFest has been put into a sub-committee within the promotion committee. He informed the group that five new garbage can lids are currently being painted, three new art benches will be added this year, and the coloring books are in creation.
- b. **Economic Restructuring:** Trevor Elliott informed the group that the Downtown Business Academy would be starting soon and gave a brief overview of the program.

4. Other Updates/Announcements/Good of the Order

- a. Larry McGee praised the changes made by the Chehalis-Centralia Railroad and Museum.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:39 A.M. by Larry McGee.

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

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