

CCRT Monthly General Meeting Notes - 8/13/21

Attendees: Brian Wilkins, Bill Deutscher, Jacky Vance, Brandon Rakes, Lindsey Senter, Eric Sonnenberg, Daniel Murray, Laura Six, Justine Pense, Susan Delaire, Trevor Elliott, Terry Harris, Larry McGee, Michael Ervin

- Laura Six – ERC update
 - Had a few facade grants recently
 - Chehalis Theater Neon is complete
 - Market Street Bakery facade update with removal of awning
 - Historic Elks building is updated
 - Historic Brunswig Building brick is being stripped on Chehalis Ave
 - No digital marketing grants currently in process
- Brandon Rakes – Chehalis-Centralia Airport update
 - Fill has started where the new Honda dealership is going to be located. 2 parcels are being leased and filled at the same time.
 - WSECU is going to be locating in front of Home Depot.
 - Car wash is going to be located behind Sonic and Dutch Bros by the end of September.
 - Last month the Airport held Young Eagles flights at the airport during ChehalisFest and all month during July. Free ground school and access to many other programs. This year they flew a record 253 kids. Going to exceed 300 this year with a few more flights remaining. Thanks to CCRT for the help sharing. Brandon has flown 128 kids this year himself! This program really helps spark an interest in aviation and aerospace.
 - Airport mural is being finished up. All planes that taxi to get gas will see it. The mural is a mosaic of local Chehalis aviation history. Thomas Sutley is the artist on the project.
- Jacky Vance - Friends of West Side Park update
 - The organization is now an official non-profit.
 - Renderings are in process for park improvements
 - The friendship fence is getting an upgrade with more artists. Adding raised garden beds and community garden
 - Garden can be used as a learning opportunity for local daycares.
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- Bill Deutscher - Chehalis Steam Train update
 - Good ridership this summer
 - The work on the 15 locomotive repair and the 99 Business Coach are ongoing
 - Preparing for the winter Polar Express holiday rides. Tickets are on sale now.
- Eric Sonnenberg – EDC update
 - Monthly membership meeting is coming up on Wed 18th 12-1 at Riverside Golf. Cyber security expert will be presenting.
 - The EDC will be announcing a new name and logo: Economic Alliance of Lewis County
- Larry McGee
 - Updated about the WA Main Street video.
 - Laura talked about her time in the video and enjoyed her time as well.
 - Susan DeLaire recommends the Home Town Takeover show.