Limon Chamber of Commerce General Power Hour Meeting February 13, 2025

Called to order at 12 pm.

Board Members Present: Jake Herrera, Teresa Bauman, Joy Johnson, Alison Arnold, John Dennison

- 1. Pledge of Allegiance, introductions, host recognition and thank you.
- 2. Agenda Review
 - a. Removed
 - i. By laws
 - ii. Officer resignation
 - b. Added
 - i. From Donna Metcalf, Tami Witt is retiring and Donna will be absorbing her realty company. There will be a retirement party for Tami on February 26th, 4 – 7 pm at the Metcalf School House. Donna would like to hold a ribbon cutting ceremony at that time.
 - ii. From Alison Arnold, the American Legion Auxiliary will be holding a Mid-Winter Warm Up on February 21st, 11:30 am 7 pm at the senior center.
 This event will kick off their toy drive.
- 3. Approval of Minutes: Scott Lancaster made a motion to accept the January 26, 2025 minutes, Rita Daniel seconded, motion approved by vote.
- 4. Filing of Treasurer's Report: Teresa Bauman explained her averages report. Alison Arnold made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report, Scott Lancaster seconded, motion approved by vote.
- 5. Board Reports
 - a. Easter
 - i. Alison Arnold is in charge of Easter and the point of contact.
 - ii. We need candy (no chocolate) and basket donations. Candy needs to be delivered to the library no later than April 4th.
 - iii. Bikes will be donated by Ritchie Bruno.
 - iv. Rocking 4H and Aspen Leaf residents will stuff eggs.
 - v. The baseball team will hide eggs.
 - vi. Alison will talk to Julie Coonts to ask if Mountain View Electric will contribute in some way.

b. Membership Update

- i. A new tier membership system has been put into place.
- ii. Charlie Kendrick stated that TA and Rotary have not gotten invoices.
- iii. Rita Daniels stated that Peak Vista hasn't gotten an invoice.
- iv. Jake stated that instead of the Chamber holding a workshop this year, board members will be visiting businesses that haven't paid by February 15th.

Event Reviews

a. Jake asked Donna Metcalf if Downtown Limon was going to hold their Christmas event on December 6th, the same day as the Chamber event. Her answer was that she didn't know.

7. Round Table

- a. Raejean Palko stated that she would like to get a paper agenda. Donna Metcalf asked for the minutes to be emailed. Jake responded that all general meeting materials will be emailed out by the Tuesday before the meeting.
- b. Raejean Palko reported that the Small Business Development Center and Lincoln County Economic Development Corporation will again be offering classes alternating between Limon and Hugo.
- c. Scott Lancaster announced that March's general meeting will be on the 13th at the golf course with a presentation by Limon Correctional Facility's warden.
- d. Raejean Palko announced that the Colorado 150 America 250 Commission will start taking events for their calendar on July 1st. The event is being held to promote tourism around the state. Joy asked who those events should be sent to. Raejean answered that that hasn't been decided. Joy asked if it would be appropriate to have Chamber events added to that calendar. Raejean's answer was yes.
- e. Donna Metcalf announced that clean up day will be May 10th. Joy announced that Shred It will need another sponsor for half the cost in order to do it.
- f. July 4th Celebration
 - i. Jake reported that the Chamber's July 4th Celebration will be on July 4th.
 - ii. Charlie Kendrick announced that the Rotary will be having an Irish band holding a concert that day.
 - iii. Joy told Charlie that the vendor fair will be 12 6 pm.
 - iv. There will be a baseball tournament.
- g. Charlie Kendrick announced that Rotary concerts in the park will be on June 14th, July 4th and August 23rd during the car show.
- 8. Learning Presentation: Cindy Tacha of Limon Workforce Center along with others from the Department of Labor and Employment presented on the Work Opportunity Tax

Credit (WOTC) and Federal Bonding Program. Cindy announced that Workforce now has employment services open four days a week.

- 9. Jake pointed out to attendees the available Chamber survey via QR code.
- 10. Events in Chronological Order (BOLD are Chamber Events). Let us know about events not listed Sara Mae Lancaster, 828-243-7681, saramaesacco@yahoo.com
 - a. May 10 Clean up day
 - b. June 14 Rotary's Concert in the Park
 - c. July 4—Independence Day Celebration
 - d. July 4 Rotary's Concert in the Park
 - e. August 23—Hub City Classic Car, Truck and Motorcycle Show
 - f. August 23 Rotary's Concert in the Park
 - g. December 6 Christmas event

Adjourned at 12:54 pm.

Future Meeting Details

March, date TBD – Board Meeting

March 13th – Hosted by Limon Correctional Facility at Tamarack Golf Course

April, date TBD – Board Meeting April 10th – Hosted by Peak Vista at the Metcalf School House

May, date TBD – Board Meeting
May 8th – Hosted by the library at Limon Memorial Library

June, date TBD - Board Meeting

June 12th – Hosted by Lincoln County Economic Development Center at the Metcalf School House

July, date TBD – Board Meeting

July 10th – Hosted by Eastern Colorado Veterinary Services at the Metcalf School House

August, date TBD – Board Meeting

August 14th – Hosted by the Town of Limon at Tamarack Golf Course

September, date TBD – Board Meeting

September 11th – Hosted by Transwest at Transwest

October, date TBD – Board Meeting
October 9th – Hosted by John Sullivan at the Metcalf School House

November, date TBD – Board Meeting November 13th – Hosted by Limon Heritage Museum at the museum

December, date TBD – Board Meeting December ${\bf 11}^{\rm th}$ – Rural American Realty at the Metcalf School House