

Limon Chamber of Commerce
General Power Hour Meeting
December 11, 2025

Called to order at 12:00 pm by Katie Zipperer.

Board Members Present: Joy Johnson, Teresa Bauman, Penny Pearce, Alison Arnold plus Chamber Administrator Katie Zipperer

1. Pledge of Allegiance, host recognition and thank you.
2. Agenda Review: No revisions
3. Approval of Minutes: Scott made a motion to accept the November 13, 2025 minutes, Donna Metcalf seconded, approved by vote.
4. Filing of Treasurer's Report: Teresa Bauman reported that we got two 2025 memberships in December. Donna Metcalf asked if we have received the reimbursement for fireworks from the tourism board. Teresa Bauman answered yes plus we received the money for the bouncy houses. Alison Arnold made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report, Cindy Tacha seconded, approved by vote.
5. Board Reports
 - a. Hometown Christmas
 - b. It was suggested that the Christmas Committee have a debrief.
 - c. Alison Arnold's suggestions were to have definite deadlines, better communication and have a head of the committee.
 - d. Joy Johnson reported that she had 23 vendors with one no show. The only thing she would change for next year is to put a sign in the hallway of the community building pointing to vendors on both sides if it's held there in the future.
 - e. Numbers
 - i. 8 Parade of Lights entries.
 - ii. 47 families visited Santa at town hall.
 - iii. 190 people attended the movie.
 - iv. 63 people came for pictures with the Grinch at Peak Vista. They closed early leaving some who wanted pictures but couldn't get them done.
 - v. 75 free gifts were given out through Veterans for a Better Community.
 - vi. There were 75 volunteers.

- f. Teresa Bauman reported that \$1,000 was awarded in prize money for the Parade of Lights; LCF, MVEA and Transwest took the top three places.
 - g. Penny Pearce reported that Santa pictures at Town Hall need to have more direction on the flow of people; there were people walking between the camera and Santa. A backdrop is also needed because people ended up in the pictures behind Santa.
6. Nominations
- a. The nomination of Cindy Tacha for a two-year term was approved by vote.
 - b. Katie Zipperer reported that there are now three two-year terms open and one one-year term.
 - c. Alison Arnold nominated Corrine Perry, she accepted, approved by vote for a two year term.
 - d. Donna Metcalf nominated Shadrick Wade, he declined.
7. Chuck Stone Citizen of the Year Award
- a. Nominations are due December 16th.
8. Hosts for 2026
- a. Donna Metcalf will do February, Alison Arnold will do August, MCC will do July, the library will do December.
9. Hometown Christmas
- a. Committee will have a meeting to do a debrief.
 - b. Raejean Palko stated that other towns had their Christmas events on the same day.
 - c. Donna Metcalf reported that there was cookie decorating, hot chocolate at different places, crafts at Roshe's Pizza with free pizza for kids, Licha's served free Mexican hot chocolate and churros, The Gnome on the Shelf Scavenger Hunt is ongoing.
 - d. Alison Arnold reported that Katie Zipperer did a great job organizing everything.
 - e. Donna Metcalf reported that the live nativity was good. Alison Arnold stated that the animals didn't like the sirens.
 - f. Katie Zipperer said no one could hear the announcer over the sirens.
 - g. Alison Arnold reported that the hot dog sales did well.
 - h. Joy Johnson reported that the vendor crowd was good.
 - i. Donna Metcalf said it would be good to let the other sports teams know about our events. Alison Arnold suggested to get the information to the school and let them disseminate the information.
10. The wrestling tournament is on Saturday and no more volunteers are arranged.

11. The January general meeting to be held at South Side is still being worked on.

12. Round Table

- a. Megan Mosher reported that Lincoln Health is now doing orthopedic surgeries.
- b. Raejean Palko reported that she is putting together a list of 501c3s so residents and businesses know which donations can be deducted.

13. Learning Presentation

Donna Metcalf did a networking activity of challenges for businesses: getting the word out, staffing, infrastructure, communication, making others aware, funding, foot traffic, new customers, location for new business and printed advertising.

14. Events in Chronological Order (**BOLD are Chamber Events**). Let us know about events not listed - Sara Lancaster, 828-243-7681, saramaesacco@yahoo.com

- a. June 13—Limon Heritage Days Drone Show Stories in the Sky
- b. **August 22—36th Annual Hub City Classic Car, Truck & Motorcycle Show**

Adjourned at 1:20 pm.

Future Meeting Details

January, date TBD at South Side

February, date TBD - Board Meeting
February 12th hosted by Donna Metcalf

March, date TBD - Board Meeting
March 12th hosted by Morgan Community College

April, date TBD - Board Meeting
April 9th hosted by Lincoln County Economic Development

May, date TBD - Board Meeting
May 14th hosted by Peak Vista

June, date TBD - Board Meeting
June 11th hosted by Transwest at Transwest

July, date TBD - Board Meeting

July 9th hosted by Morgan Community College

August, date TBD - Board Meeting

August 13th hosted by Veterans for a Better Community

September, date TBD - Board Meeting

September 10th hosted by Work Force

October, date TBD - Board Meeting

October 8th

November, date TBD - Board Meeting

November 12th hosted by Limon Heritage Museum at the museum

December, date TBD - Board Meeting

December 10th hosted by Limon Memorial Library