



## GM Minutes 4/5/2023 4pm @ Weippe Discovery Center

- **Call to Order:** Malia Erlewine, President via zoom at 4:11pm
- **Minutes:** Brandee motioned to approve, Ashley second, all ayes, none opposed
- **Guests:** Shawn Mattoon, Wild Weippe Days and Cindy McCool, Hilltop Calendar/XiAlphaNu
- **Guest Speaker:** Terri Summerfield, Director - Weippe Discovery Center: open for all county residents to use; check-out available for kayaks, paddle boards, snow shoes, as well as all library materials; coming soon outside seating and internet access with power outlets; History of the center-1999 during L/C Bicentennial monies came available, a visitor center was wanted, Friends of the Library partnered to manage, City owned, went from 1,200 to 5,600 sq ft with rehab if Assembly of God Church building to utilize existing structure, Paul Allen Foundation grant 1/2 funds, 2001 JP Mill closed then 9/11 happened, rcvd 70k match with donations, in-kind and grants(taxing district), 500k total project, 2003 Library moved into location, 1st Step Internet supplied internet access, added tech center, small business enhancement center, college outreach, telehealth, murals and living landscape about Lewis & Clark in Idaho including orig. journal notes, 2005 Grand ceremony with reenactments of L&C, DVD is available, 2011 National Medal of Library Service awarded in WA DC, now offer family game nights, ladies nights, fly tying, reading, Lego League, Day at Deyo, babysitting classes, 3D printing, Cricket cutter, Blue Cross Foundation Telehealth, community projects and programs, games, 1700+DVDs, come check
- **Announcements:**
  - Save the Date! May 5th Chamber Auction & Annual Fundraiser
  - Elk Horn will host an Adult only Easter egg hunt Sunday at 1pm
  - 2 open board seats, looking for nominations, and volunteers-Weippe and 1 other: Jenni Tissell and Michael Hunter both resigned
  - April 20 at 3pm in Orofino Library - Digital Access Community Forum: information and discussions about current internet availability, price, service, etc., looking to improve throughout the area



Free Lunch/Dinner: Jenni Tissell prize awarded

- **Executive Director Report:**

- o New Members: Clearwater Valley Fire Districts Auxiliary, Cloninger's Marketplace #4 Weippe, Redoubt Surplus & Tactical
  - o Balance Sheet: A/R \$26,668, Cash \$25,771, Expenses \$7,090 FYTD
  - o Outreach: Meta aka Facebook = 3,294 post reach, post engagement 1,720, 68 new followers 2,747 total, Impressions 36,600+ ; Website data: 2,471 pageviews, 1,100 users- over the last month
- **Economic Development Report: Susan Jacobson, Director** - USDA Renewable Energy Assistance program can help businesses with coolers/HVAC/windows, etc.; eff. Friday, 4 cycles with next 6/30, requires 50/50 match, under 80k available sooner, "New Energy" grant avail. too; Presidents new program "Justice 40"-40% budget to Historically Disadvantaged Communities; non-profit monies out there to access; once a month willing to be available in Weippe, Pierce and Elk River; as a small business owner she knows how to leverage resources; please call her
  - **Committee Reports:** none

**Legislative Committee – Dennis Harper:** absent

**Special Events:**

- o **Easter Egg Hunts - Elk River, Orofino, Pierce Saturday April 8**
  - o **Easter Dinner at Tom's Tavern Elk River - Sunday Apr 9**
  - o **Orofino Rotary Estate Sale - Fair Exhibit Apr 28-30**
  - o **Community Clean-up Saturday Apr 29 Orofino City Park / Arbor Day**
  - o **Senior Center Orofino Yard/Bake Sale April 29**
- **Discussion:** good discussions during Happy Hour and networking after! 18 attendees
  - **Next meeting: May 10th Chubby's Pizza Pierce 4pm**
  - **Adjourn:** 4:51pm

**SIGNED:**

\_\_\_\_\_ Malia Erlewine, 2023 President

\_\_\_\_\_ Erica Holland, Director