Membership Meeting
GM Minutes 8/7/2024
4pm @ Pizza Factory Orofino

- **Welcome!** Malia via zoom 4:03pm

- **Guests/Introductions**

- **Minutes approval: Dru motioned to approve, Mike Trout 2nd, all ayes, none opposed**

- **Announcements:**
    - **Bylaw review to increase board members, need membership vote after 30 day notice;** Malia comment and thanks for volunteers, part time director and small board need more help/sub-committee members. New community/members interested: Felecia, CC, Dru, Heather Storms. Discuss language with Susan, suggest making a range of board members (ie; 5-15) to leave room for future changes.
    - Royal Plaza of Lewiston invites the public/members to attend Talent Show 3-5pm 8/14 and visit the facilities or have a meal (Jollymore chef) with residents at noon or 5pm for $5.
    - Big Canyon Acres looking for Fall Fest vendors Oct 18-20 and Farm to Table Dinners

- **Executive Director Report:**
    - Welcome New Members: OEO Energy Solutions, Elk River Historical Society, The Design Center
    - Event report: All American 4th Orofino, Thunder in the Mountains Elk River, Orofino Show and Shine, Orofino Arena Days, Pierce 1860 Days, National Night Out
    - Quarterly Reporting: Profit & Loss, Balance Sheet Q3 next
        - **Vote to approve** last report: **Ashley motioned to approve, Brandee 2nd, all ayes, none opposed**
    - 90 day Outreach as of July 30, 2024 - FB 3,068 followers (30 new) Reach 29,098 (up 4%) Engagement 7,462 (up 15%); Google 5,692 users (up 10%) Views 17,120 (up 11%) Interactions 43,920 (up 12%) over last month

- **Economic Development Report: Susan Jacobson, Director** recent grant award from USDA 40k to do certification for bio-recycling companies, energy improvements still available through Avista grants, programs for business upgrades, fire victims who sustained economic loss eligible for funding, reach out for any questions or interests

- **Committee Reports: Fishing, Legislative, Strategic Planning**

- **Guest Speaker/Program: Citizens For the Preservation of Fish and Dams, Charlie Pottinger & Dan Caldwell -** 501c3, cfpfd.org; Clarkston NW Fish Symposium at Walla Walla Comm. College 8/15; Businesses, Hatchery, IDFG, Port Commissioner, USACE, Biologists and Historians partnering to educate and inform the public; grass roots group exploring solutions to

current issues and how to define the right thing to do; history 1866 to now - 16 million salmon varieties traveled the local rivers, 1880 canned 43 million pounds of Chinook Salmon, caused reduction in repopulation, 1911 46 million pounds of salmon canned, 800 miles of roads built for logging 1940s-1970s damaged streams and lost spawning areas, 1910 fires and other contributing factors to declined reproduction, gold rush mining damaged spawning areas, 1938 Bonneville Dam , judges stopped barging 2013 and went to spill control, spilling more often is wearing out the dams, fishing and Tribal collection reduced 50% of fish being born, hatchery cross breeding now for better health of fish stocks, new turbine designs have decreased harm to fish passing, hatchery mitigation and barging improvements 98% survival rate now. More information available on the website, by brochure and on request.

Special Events:

- **Elk River Days Aug 9-11**
- **MaryLou Triathlon Aug 11 at Deyo Reservoir**
- **Wild Weippe Days Aug 16-18, Wild Weippe Rodeo Aug 17-18**
- **Music in the Mountains Elk River Aug 24**
- **Orofino Rotary Fun Run Aug 31**

Door Prize Drawing: Dominic Consentino awarded lunch/dinner certificate

- **Discussions:** 1860 Days planning wrap up and next year organizing
- **Next meeting: September 4th @ Noon at Fiesta En Jalisco**
- **Adjourn to Happy Hour!**

SIGNED:

_____ Malia Erlewine, 2024 President

_____ Erica Holland, Director