

WENDELL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE MINUTES

January 13, 2016

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The meeting was called to order at 12:15 p.m. by President Paula Simerly with Twelve members and three guests in attendance.

Board meeting held 1-11-16, minutes attached
Treasurer Report - None

Paula opened the meeting, foregoing minutes, treasurer report she did ask Gary to report on Dairy day's finances.

Gary reported that this year there was a deficit of \$200.00 Paula mentioned that we would be more diligent this year.

Paula also thanked the Senior Center and the ladies who prepared the meal. The cost of the meal is now \$8.50 for a very good home cooked meal. As a chamber we are to pay for the minimum of 15 meals. This is a good time and chance to invite new prospective members, new business, or chamber members who are not attending. Membership invoices have been sent out. If we do not receive your dues the email/ mailing list will be trimmed to those that have paid.

As well as increasing membership this year she would like to see a business afterhours get started, to let others know of the business and services available.

The chamber has a new phone 208-320-3414, Paula is presently manning; she would invite others if they are so inclined to share of this duty.

The dairy application, vendor information is being put on the chamber website hopefully by end of January.

There is an opportunity to have your business card put on their, an email was sent out about this. Jan Gooding is maintaining our website, and keeping it updated.

Luann introduced the Dan Olmstead and Leo Sanchez with Idaho Power. She is looking for ideas and speakers to talk at the monthly business meeting contact her with any suggestions.

January speakers - Dan Olmstead & Leo Sanchez with Idaho Power Company

Leo handed out a Centennial calendar. Dan began mentioning Idaho Power began in 1916 with only 5 companies, through 1975 were able to handle the demand from water/hydro supplied by the Snake River.

Around 1975 coal fire and "the grid" as supply demand was growing. 2000 brought alternative energy into the picture of Wind power. Idaho power supplies power by hydro, coal, natural gas, wind and private power plants. Solar may be the next source of energy.

WATER, this has been a good year so far, were at 160% capacity, but with every day that no precipitation very quickly, we have not received anything for 2 weeks the capacity has dropped to 140%. So it is so very important we get and continue to receive the winter storms.

Leo mentioned that they are energy saving ideas, turn your water heater down to 110 degrees, insulation (19 inches of insulation R49/R50)

Check with Leo on the different energy saving programs Idaho Powers offers and the benefits.

November 2015 was 35% colder than last year.

No further business meeting adjourned at 1:10PM

Next meeting will be February 10th at the Wendell Senior & Community Center. Cost of lunch is \$8.50
Submitted, Becky Allred, Secretary