



**SREDA Board Meeting
January 7, 2020
Plaza Inn, Ontario, Oregon**

Directors, Members & Guests present:

Patrick Nauman, Jeff Williams, Rick LaHuis, Cathy Yasuda, Sandy Hemenway, Adam Brown, Ken Bishop, Larry Hogg, Ken Hart, Dan Cummings, Rick Watkins, Georgia Hanigan, Dan Greig, Bob Komoto, Jennifer Huff, Ray Wickersham, Rob Frye, John Breidenbach, Angie Goodwin, Alicia Cavazos, Kyle McCauley, Charlotte Fugate, Corey Evan, Blas Guerra, Carl Melle, and David Koehler.

Staff: Kit Kamo, Executive Director

1. Chairman Patrick Nauman called the meeting to order at 7:04 a.m. Patrick welcomed everyone to the Tuesday morning meeting.

2. Introductions of Attendees: Chairman Nauman asked everyone present to introduce themselves and the business or entity they were representing. This month's meeting was held at the Plaza Inn Restaurant.

3. Approval of the December 3, 2019 Board Minutes: Chairman Nauman asked if anyone had any questions or corrections to the minutes as emailed out. Hearing none, Chairman Nauman asked for a motion to approve the minutes. Adam Brown made a motion to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Ken Bishop. The motion passed unanimously.

4. Chairman Nauman then asked for the Financial Report which was presented by Sandy Hemenway. Sandy went over the financial snap shot for the month of December discussing balances at the end of the month in both the checking and money market accounts and total for month end. Income for the month was \$1116.66 – this included BSU's annual membership and monthly memberships by Red Apple, Kohn Foods, and Zion's. Chairman Nauman then asked if anyone had any questions on the financial report. Hearing none, a motion to approve was made by Jeff Williams and seconded by Bob Komoto. The motion passed unanimously.

5. Adoption of the Annual Budget and Annual Work Plan for 2020: Chairman Nauman reviewed the changes in the 2020 budget that had been handed out at the December meeting. Jeff Williams made a motion to approve the 2020 budget and Rick LaHuis seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Chairman Nauman then briefly spoke about the Annual Work Plan, which was also handed out at the December meeting, and asked if anyone had any updates or changes. Dan Greig made the motion to accept the plan and Dan Cummings seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

6. City and Community reports:

City of Fruitland: City Administrator Rick Watkins updated the group on Fruitland's permitting activities: From January through part of December, the city had a total of 73 building permits, including 1 duplex, 10 manufactured homes, and 9 new commercial structures.

Commercial/industrial building permits: \$40k Robert Milovich Heritage Museum, Downtown; \$100k tenant improvements for Prescription Pad in the former Spread Wood Fire Eatery space; \$810k tenant improvements for GTL Call Center in the former Home Furnishings Liquidators (80 employees); \$2.4 mil Catholic Church addition; \$4.3 mil Swire Coca Cola Addition; and \$4.8 mil Hometown Chevrolet. Stateline Subaru has been open for about 3 weeks.

Valuations for new construction in 2019 were a little over \$39 million.



Rick also reported that the City was awarded a \$230k Rural Community Block Grant to construct NW 9th Street to service Stateline Auto Ranch and existing businesses on NW 9th. Stateline Subaru will be paying for half of the construction costs of the street. The City was also awarded a \$500k Idaho Community Development Block Grant to construct ¼ miles of NW 7th Street to service Swire Coca Cola.

Other notable activities included the approval of Zeller's Crossing Subdivision for 105 single family residential lots and design reviews were held for a 35 lot family dwelling subdivision of North Pennsylvania Avenue and a 75 lot single family dwelling subdivision off of South Whitley Drive.

The City of Fruitland has passed their 2019-2020 budget last summer including 1 new EMT, 1 new paramedic, 2 patrol cars, 1 ambulance, 2 ambulance support vehicles, \$4k in new splash pad accessories, \$300k irrigation system and turf for 12 acres of the Payette River Sports Complex, \$60k document archival storage and disaster backup hardware & software, \$460k water treatment plant membrane filter replacement, and fully funded SREDA and the Snake River Transit funding requests.

The City's \$2.6 million dollar bond for police station/city hall renovation project failed meeting the 2/3's requirement by only 8 votes. This very important bond will be on May's ballot.

Community of Fruitland: Ken Bishop, Biz Zone, reminded everyone that Fruitland Chamber meets tomorrow at noon at St. Luke's. Everyone is invited to attend.

City of Payette: Mayor Jeff Williams reported on the progress of the Boise State University Pilot Project. They have announced the core community group which includes Ken Hart, Georgia Hanigan, Robin Gilbert, Kit Kamo, Clay Ritter, Craig Jensen and the mayor. The group will meet with BSU in Boise on the 16th of January, then back in Payette on the 14th of February. Mayor Williams also reported that they have a new subdivision that is building in their phase one, but at full build out it will have 180 dwellings plus some commercial opportunities. The City has three new council members. Councilman Ray Wickersham is the new Council President as well as the SREDA appointed liaison.

City of Payette Community: Councilman Ray Wickersham invited everyone to the Payette Chamber luncheon today at the Payette Senior Center.

City of Ontario: Manager Adam Brown reported that they had two new businesses open in Ontario, Body Shop Fitness and Speech Tree. The City has received the bids on the SE 2nd truck route and the approved airport sewer project is moving forward. The fiber project at the airport is on schedule to be completed by March. The City's Way Finding and downtown study projects are in progress. The downtown paving and bulb out inserts project will be completed in time for the Tater Tot Festival in September! The Treasure Valley Connector Trail bids go out next week. The Airport Taxiway improvement project is moving forward as well. Adam also reported that Ontario had 9 new houses in 2019. The Transitional shelter project is moving forward. The transitional housing sheds will be insulated with electricity and heat and occupants will only be allowed to stay for 90 days. Occupants will be case managed by Community In Action.

Dan Cummings, Community Development Director, reported that there is a new 12 lot subdivision under review and the city is working with another 45 lot subdivision. City has received construction documents for Aspen Dental that will be between the Bluebird Car Wash and Walgreens. Dan also updated the group on the 3 new marijuana stores that are open and the 4th one that have been ready to open, but have been held up by the State of Oregon's lack of personnel and



back log in issuing business licenses. Discussion was held regarding the amount of taxes the state has received for marijuana sales and that maybe they could've used those dollars to get their reviewing agency up to speed. It is estimated that the back log could take a year.

Ontario City Community: Ontario Area Chamber of Commerce John Breidenbach reported that the annual Chamber banquet is this Friday. They still have a table sponsor and tickets for sale if anyone is interested. John also reported that the Chamber is fielding calls about our airport hangar capacity. Since Boise Airport will be doing some remodeling, airplane owners are looking for options! He is working with both Dan Cummings and Dan Beaubien at the airport on this opportunity. The Ontario Chamber is now meeting at the Four Rivers Cultural Center. John also said that the Ontario Air Fare will be June 27th.

Charlotte Fugate updated the group about the 2020 Tater Tot Festival to be held in Ontario on September 18, 19 and 20th. She said they are searching for more committee members. Kraft Heinz has budgeted \$50k and the festival committee is looking for another \$25k in match. The group expects approximately 5,000 attendees. Charlotte also said that they have been looking for a carnival, but have had no luck. If anyone has any leads for the committee on a carnival, please let Charlotte or Kit know.

City of Weiser: City Councilman Larry Hogg announced to the group that the City of Weiser will have a new mayor sworn in on January 13th, Mayor Randy Hibbard. He reported that the temporary Ridley grocery/King's building is almost revamped for the Hospital Administration offices to move into. The City is revisiting the West 9th Street project as the costs to complete have risen.

Weiser Community: Jennifer Huff, Executive Director of the Chamber, reported that their Lincoln Day Banquet will be on January 24th and the Annual Crab Feed will be April 4th. Please let her know if you would like tickets or to be a sponsor. The Crab Feed sells out early every year. Jennifer also reported that they will have 2 ribbon cuttings, one with Agri-Line and one with Tri County Tractor. She also reported that the U of I remodeling will soon be completed and the Extension Service will be able to move in.

No reports for the cities of Vale, Nyssa, or New Plymouth.

7. County:

Payette County: Commissioner Georgia Hanigan reported that the county has received a response from Washington on the RFP for their comprehensive plan. They are hoping for a few more responses as well.

Washington County: No report given.

Malheur County: No report given.

8. Executive Director Kit Kamo:

Kit included a written report in the board packets as well as the updated Report of SREDA Activities (**please see attached reports**). She reviewed the Shot Show strategy and the Pacific NW Sportsmen show and thanked Jennifer Huff for volunteering to assist in Portland. She also mentioned other trade show events for 2020 and will be attending an aviation show the end of April in Dallas with the Site Location Partnership group. This will include a Site Consultant event that allows one on one time with several consultants.

9. Round Table Discussion:

Cathy Yasuda, TVCC Foundation Director, invited everyone who is interested in attending college in 2020-2021, to apply for the foundation's scholarship program. There is \$300k worth



of awards given out. Deadline is fast approaching on January 15th!! Thursday, January 23rd at 3 pm TVCC will have the groundbreaking ceremony for the new Career Technical Education (CTE) Facility on campus. Cathy introduced David Kohler, TVCC Dean of CTE. David reported that there will be a CTE Open House on February 6th at the Four Rivers Cultural Center. TVCC is working with CWI on a Career Expo for March 3rd 9 am – 1 pm at the Ford Idaho Center, Nampa. David also reported that TVCC is working with BSU on bringing Sara Goldrick-Rab, a renowned speaker into the valley in April to talk about housing and food insecurities.

Bob Komoto said that the Four Rivers Cultural Center has a few big events coming up. January 25 & 26 will be the 9th annual Classic Car Show. January 30th, Umpqua Bank will do a seminar on “Let’s Talk Money”. These seminars have been about personal money management. Then February 1st will be the Four Rivers Cultural Center’s 29th Annual Center Ball. This year the theme is “Enchanted Evening”.

Ken Hart reported that today St. Alphonsus starts a four day training session with Warrior Centric, a military veteran group that will be doing cultural competency training for their staff to better understand the veteran’s background and what they have been through. They want Ontario be a place for veterans and their families to receive help.

Rick LaHuis reported The Prescription Pad in Fruitland has moved to a new location where the “Spread” restaurant was previously located. They have a drive up location as part of their new store.

10. Adjournment: With no other business discussion, Chairman Nauman then adjourned the meeting at 7:55 a.m. and networking continued.

Minutes prepared by Dan Greig and Bob Komoto, Co-Secretaries.

2020 – Tentative Calendar

Jan 20-24	Shot Show – Las Vegas
February 4	SREDA Monthly Meeting – to be postponed
Feb 4-9	Pacific NW Sportsmen Show – Portland
Mar 2-3	Idaho Housing & Economic Development Conference - Boise
March 3	SREDA Monthly Meeting – 7 am Stateline Auto Ranch Subaru, Fruitland
Mar 18-22	Road to the Horse – Lexington, KY
April 7	SREDA Monthly Meeting – 7 am Energy Trust of Oregon, Plaza Inn, Ontario
Apr 28-30	MRO Americas, International Aviation trade show, Dallas, TX
May 5	SREDA Monthly Meeting –7 am Lifeways, Ontario

All meetings are open to the public