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**MINUTES  
FORTUNA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE  
June 17, 2019**

The June 17, 2019, meeting of the Fortuna Chamber of Commerce was called to order by Chair Melissa Collins with 36 persons present. Renee Lindsay introduced new Ambassador Chair, Laura Morris, Manager, Member Services at Coast Central Credit Union.

Correspondence included the following announcements: Fortuna Chamber Board Nomination Ballot; The GLC, Fortuna Kiwanis Club; Redwood Coast Energy Authority program for LED lighting incentives; Fortuna AutoXpo Calendar; Chili Cookoff Application; Humboldt County draft FY Budget 2019-20; North Coast Growers' Association Farmers' Markets; Wild Souls Ranch June Chamber Mixer; Ridgetop Café & Coffee Barn dinner menu; Humboldt Equity Ribbon Cutting; Fortuna Volunteer Fire's Basic First Aid Course; Eagle Prairie Arts District's Cornhole Tournament; Jitter Bean Blood Drive; Fortuna Fireworks Festival; Wild Souls Ranch *Sip of Summer*; Humboldt-Del Norte Film Commission *Movies in the Park*; Fundraiser for Blaine Cezario; Humboldt County Fair; Rodeo Association Sponsorship opportunities; and various articles by the Times Standard.

Melissa Collins thanked C.C. Catering for lunch. She announced there was a Get Well card going around for member Bob Besanceney who is recuperating from surgery. She reminded members that Board Ballot nominations were due by Friday, June 21.

Renee Lindsay announced the ribbon cutting at Humboldt Equity at 1:15 p.m. and June's Chamber mixer at Wild Souls Ranch on Wednesday, June 19. She announced a blood drive at Jitter Bean on June 26. Jitter Bean would be giving away \$5.00 gift certificates to everyone who donates blood at any of their locations.

Merritt Perry announced the City Council meeting agenda. He also announced the Newburg Park dedications for Dennis Wendt and Roger Harwood on June 24 at 5:00 p.m.

**Guest Speaker: Valerie Elder, Executive Director, The Buckeye**

Valerie presented the history of The Buckeye and gave a brief overview of their many programs, including assisting conservation easements, succession planning workshops, oak woodland restoration, livestock training with local law enforcement, mixers, and tours. The Buckeye is made up of ranchers, farmers, and conservationists who are focused on good land stewardship.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Renee Lindsay  
Recording Secretary