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**FORTUNA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE**  
March 2, 2020

The March 2, 2020, meeting of the Fortuna Chamber of Commerce was called to order by Chair Seth McGrath with 21 persons present.

Correspondence included the following announcements: Fortuna Senior Scene; Rio Dell-Scotia Chamber of Commerce; HSU Music Department; North Coast Workforce Pipeline; Southern Humboldt Chamber of Commerce; AirMedCare Benefits; Fortuna Rotary Youth Exchange Dinner; Bicoastal Media Radiothon; Fortuna Garden Club; College of the Redwoods; English Express; Fortuna Library; Benbow Historic Inn All Counties Mixer; Fortuna PD; Fortuna Chamber Candidate Forum; and various articles from the Times-Standard.

Seth McGrath announced the award recipients for the 2020 Annual Dinner: David Morris, Citizen of the Year; Whitchurch Engineering, Business of the Year; Harry Hardin, Lifetime Achievement; Humboldt Equity, New Business of the Year; Santa's Sleigh, Non-profit of the Year; Hec Wood - Edward Jones, Small Business of the Year; Enoch Ibarra, Volunteer of the Year; Coast Central Credit Union, Best Customer Service; Moonlight Catering, Home Based Business of the Year; and Katy Roe, Ambassador of the Year. Whitchurch Engineering won the People's Choice award for Best Table Top Decoration.

Seth McGrath thanked Moonlight Catering for lunch.

Laura Morris announced an Ambassador lunch at Kome Sushi at noon on March 10. The next Chamber mixer would be at EPT Physical Therapy & Wellness Center in Strongs Creek Plaza on March 18 at 5:30 p.m.

Renee Lindsay announced the All Counties Chamber Mixer at Benbow Historic Inn on March 6. Unclaimed dutch auction items from the Annual Dinner were in the Chamber office. Sips for Soroptimist will be on March 8 from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Merritt Perry announced the agenda for the City Council meeting at 6:00 p.m. Agenda items included a reading of a draft ordinance to amend the City code related to short-term rentals and a website update. Merritt also announced that Fortuna did not receive a Prop 68 grant for Newburg Park.

Sean Swanson announced that River Life Foundation had their monthly clean up on February 22. They worked from the Auction Yard to Palmer Blvd. Their total cleanup is now at 390,000 lbs.

**Guest Speaker: Zach Smith, Account Manager, Advanced Security**

Advanced Security offers a range of commercial and residential products including video doorbells, EZ Call, smoke detection monitoring, and fire detection. They recently installed a surveillance and fire detection system in the new Gene Lucas Community Center for the Humboldt Senior Resource Center. They also installed a fire detection system in the new Acute Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility at Redwood Memorial Hospital.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Renee Lindsay  
Recording Secretary