

Dear Members and Prospective Members:

We hope you are enjoying our venue at the Hilton Garden Inn. Although the venue is new, the education and intellectual give-and-take remains the same. Springfield City Club is an institution that if it did not exist, we would invent it again. Your new Board consisting of Terry Beyer, Kristin Denmark, Dan Egan, Bob Fondren Len Goodwin, Merlyn Hough, Joe Leahy, Carolyn Miller, Steve, Moe, and Anette Spickard, have been working hard to present an interesting series of speakers for the next year.

So far, in August, we have scheduled the “McKenzie River as a Community Asset” presented by Joe Moll, Executive Director of McKenzie River Trust on August 3<sup>rd</sup>; and, on August 17<sup>th</sup> we have a presentation on the 2017 Legislative Update/Highlights from our own Springfield citizens, State Senator Lee Beyer and State Representative John Lively. We have built in a little fluidity in September, waiting to see if there are some timely election issues that we can present to you before the November election. We are working on presentations on the Health Care Issues, the Homeless in Springfield, Electoral College Reform, a panel of Glenwood Property/Business Owners, State Revenue Funding, Solar Power and SUB, Urban Renewal Districts/10-year Report. Fifty± other topics are all in various stages of “would this be a great presentation?” development.

We encourage you to talk with any Board member and give us your suggestions on who you think might be a good speaker, or what might be a good presentation, or topic to be developed. You can email me at [jjl@emeraldlaw.com](mailto:jjl@emeraldlaw.com). You can provide immediate feedback at a meeting.

To those of you have not been to a meeting in a while, we appreciate your membership and financial support, but we would also like your intellectual participation, questions, and personality at our Thursday presentations.

Please make Springfield City Club one of your priorities for the next year. Thank you for your support.

– Joe Leahy

## MEETING CALENDAR

### **AUGUST 3 -THE MCKENZIE RIVER AS A COMMUNITY ASSET**

Joe Moll, Executive Director of the McKenzie River Trust

### **AUGUST 17 – LEGISLATIVE REVIEW.**

Senator Lee Beyer and Representative John Lively will provide and update on the recent legislative session.

## PUBLIC CALENDAR

**All items are tentative and subject to change**

### **SPRINGFIELD CITY COUNCIL**

Recess until September 5

### **LANE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

August 1, 9:00 a.m.

Discussion – Proposed supportive housing development

Public Hearing – amendments to

Marijuana Ordinance

### **LANE TRANSIT DISTRICT**

No Meeting.

### **SPRINGFIELD SCHOOL BOARD**

No Meeting.

### **WILLAMALANE PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT**

August 9 – Board meeting 6:30 p.m.

### **SPRINGFIELD UTILITY BOARD**

August 9 – Board meeting 6:00 p.m.

## MEETINGS

July 20 – Lane County from Afar

Andy Vobora, Vice President for Stakeholder Relations for Travel Lane County presented a program on the work of that agency to stimulate tourism in Lane County. He reported that in 2016, over \$660 million in direct spending by tourists and visitors had been recorded, and that this pending translated to over \$1 billion in indirect economic activity in the County. Travel Lane County is funded by allocations of the Lane County and City of Eugene Transient Room Tax revenues (Springfield does not use those revenues to support the agency.)

Mr. Vobora also briefly reviewed the various features of communities in the County which we good stimulants to tourist activity and the vehicles that the agency used to interest tourists in spending more time in the area (things like Pinot Bingo and Ale Trail cards).

He also played several of the commercials that the agency places in markets like Portland, Seattle and more distant locations to stimulate interest in activities and sites in the County.

In response to a question from the audience, Mr. Vobora indicated that there is a definite need for more convention space in the County, and suggested a new facility about the size of the current Hilton Conference Center would be the appropriate type of development which could be successful if partnered with a headquarters hotel.

### Springfield City Club

#### Board of Directors Minutes

Tuesday, April 4, 2017 – Wildish Theater

#### In Attendance:

Terry Beyer, President	Chris Kline
Joe Leahy, President-elect	Steve Moe
Dan Egan, Secretary	Len Goodwin

1. Call to order: The meeting began at 11:45 a.m.
2. Financial Report: Terry Beyer reported that the Club had paid the rent due to Willamalane. However, the Club remains in good fiscal shape. Joe Leahy will look into the need, if any, of providing Board insurance. Len Goodwin moved and Joe Leahy seconded a motion to appoint Steve Moe Treasurer of Springfield City Club. The motion carried.
3. Membership Report: The Board discussed calls to various former members. Dan Egan is to send Joe Leahy Steve Kilgore's email address. Others are to continue to make contact with former members. Chris Kline said he would remain on the board in his current capacity until the end of June.
4. Board member recruitment: The Board discussed several ideas for new board members. Prospects include: Joe Leahy/Kristen Denmark; Terry Beyer/Mary Spilde; Annette Spicard/Len Goodwin; Dan Egan/Bridget Baker.
5. Program Report: Len Goodwin reviewed the latest program – A Muslim Woman in America – what was good, what could have been better. This week is the make-up program about Education Funding. Sanctuary Cities is the upcoming meeting with Joe Leahy to provide information and bios soon to Len for publication. Joe is also writing the column for the newsletter this month. Other programs will be planned including: Electoral College; PERS and others.

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6. Len Goodwin Proposal: The Board reviewed and acted upon a proposal to engage Len Goodwin in support of some administrative tasks of the Club. The proposal was prepared by Joe Leahy. Dan Egan moved and Terry Beyer seconded a motion to approve the proposal. The motion carried with Len Goodwin abstaining.

7. Adjournment: The meeting ended at 12:45 p.m.

### **City Club Board of Directors**

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