

Blackberry Jam Committee Meeting Notes

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Regular Meeting

Tuesday, July 14, 2026, 6:00 PM Fire Department

Members of the public are encouraged to provide comments or testimony through the following:

- Joining by phone, tablet, or PC. For details, click on the event at www.ci.lowell.or.us.
- In writing, by using the drop box at Lowell City Hall, 170 East Third Street, Lowell, OR 97452
- By email to: admin@ci.lowell.or.us.

Regular Meeting Agenda

1. Call to Order/ Roll Call 6:01

Meesa Anders __X_ Lonna Bennett __X_ Rustie Ackland _Attended using the computer__ Ben Anders _X_
George Wild __X_

Approval of Agenda Ben and Lonna

Approval of Meeting Minutes from June 9, 2026, Rustie and Lonna

Volunteer members Jeninne Zimmerman, Dennis Sucamele, Max Baker, Tina Moreci, Cheree Scott, Kennette and Jim Nicolaides plus guest.

Old Business

- Craft Booths- 58 total as of today, a few are unpaid. Registration is still open for spots.
- Kids' Corner- Max will put out the barrels for toy donation this week. Kids corner will be open on Saturday 12-4. The track team will assist Lyn.
- Food Vendors – 14 have signed up with 7 unpaid.
- Car Jam- Kennette brought the awards to show the committee, everyone approved. 36 cars have signed up. Kennette made programs, everyone approved and more will be made for the information booth to hand out. Awards will be handed out at 3:00 by Miss Lane County Makenna York. Meesa and Kennette will work together on where to use volunteers. The fire truck will be towed to the football field. A sign will be posted at the entrance “NO ALOCHOL” at the football field.
- Parade- Lonna has all the flaggers, and they will have a meeting to be given instructions and vest on Thursday 7.16.26 at 7pm at the fire station. Max will notify the homeowners on the parade route.
- Grand Marshall- Don and Lonna Bennette.
- Grease Pole & CIH- Tim
- Sponsors- Rustie, total \$15,195 and \$2,075 pending. With \$3,000 in the whole. The sell of jam and tee shirts will reduce the negative.
- Horseshoes- Brad Friday registration starts at 5pm games to start at 6pm.
- Cornhole- Saturday registration starts at 12pm and games start at 1pm.
- Electrical- Dennis will contact Star Rentals and Sales to confirm pickup time on the 24th.
- Entertainment- 2 bands will play Friday night starting at 5pm until 10:30, 4 bands to play Saturday starting at 11am until 10 pm, 2 bands playing Sunday starting at 12pm until 4:30, there will also be magic shows, K9 show and parade.
- Bathrooms/Porta Potties/Handwash- There will be 3 handwashing stations, 3 ADA, and 6 standard bathrooms. The bathrooms will be open at the football field and the main bathrooms in the park.
- VJ- 1st Rustie, Sam and Don will be backups.
- Caboose Tours (ED and Laura)

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- Schedule/Ads/Program/Map- will be finalized at a subcommittee meeting next week.
- Trash/Recycling- volunteers will oversee emptying trash and recycling containers.
- Local Business Involvement
- Crawl, Drag, Squirt
- Dunk Tank
- First Aid- Cards will be handed out along with radios to call codes. Radios need to be handed in at the end of the day to the information booth.
- School Involvement
- Church
- Canines- Sunday 2pm to 3pm.
- Security- There will be 24-hour coverage from 8am Friday until the closing of the jam on Sunday evening.
- 3 on 3 Basketball- Saturday registration starts at 11am games to start at 12pm.

New/Other Business

A reminder to everyone to watch all volunteers and prevent heat stroke.

Adjourn the Regular Meeting- Next meeting will be Tuesday 7.21.26 at the park in front of the stage.

7:00 pm