

Chamber of Commerce

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August 8, 2018

1. Call Meeting to Order -

1. Patty Huber-Beth called the meeting to order at 6:12 pm at the Chamber of Commerce building.

Attendance: Patty Huber-Beth (40), Chris Wagenseller (5), Carl Brownfield (2), Connie Wheeler (1.5), Ed Stedham (1.5), Patricia Brownfield (1.5), Dave Beth (8), Gina Greenway (1.5), Astrid Larsen, Richard Johnson, Jeri Foutz, Sherry Huffman, Deborah Sharp, Dick Ruiz (18), Meaghan Kelly (4), Jon Aurich, James Aurich, Bob Weaver (4), Edward London (20), Sharon Artlip (32), Ruann Dizmang (39), Richard Dizmang (38), PK Higgins (7), Kora Childers (6), Tim Hipp

2. Approval of Minutes:

Carl made a motion to approve the minutes as corrected, it was seconded by Sharon. Motion passed.

3. Treasurer's Report:

Richard let the membership know that the Chamber made a surplus from Goldfield Days. It looks like it will be several hundred dollars. We do not have a final accounting yet. We still have some expenses outstanding, some bits of income which we have not received yet. But we expect to show a surplus after all the scouting is done.

The vendor accounting is still being worked on and needs to be completed soon. Some of the vendors use a "Special Event Permit" through the Chamber for their taxes which we then forward on to the state. There is a special form that the Chamber files with the State.

4. Billing:

The Chamber will need to order new toner/ink. We have done A LOT of printing in the last month.

5. Membership Report:

No Report

6. Grant Application:

The Marketing Grant that the Chamber applied for came through. We were granted \$8000, with matching funds from us of \$2650. Our volunteer hours are valued at \$20/hr. Please make sure that you account for all of your volunteer hours, especially during Goldfield Days.

7. Website Update:

Richard has talked to Teresa Madsen. He let her know that we gotten our grant approval and we would like her to design our new website. The concession from her was that

she would roll our maintenance fee into the website design. We will have better access to it so that we can make small changes.

Patty asked that Richard work closely with Teresa so that our website is just what we want. Richard agreed.

Please make sure that each of your businesses get information to Richard so he can put it on the website. It should be business card size.

The Google phone number for the Chamber is: 775-553-8131. Any messages that are left at this number go to our gmail account, which Richard or Ruann check regularly.

NEW BUSINESS:

Nevada Magazine - on going ad:

Carl will check into this. We discussed a business card sized ad that would be year round. Carl will see what the cost of the ad will be.

Board Positions:

There are going to be a few open positions at the next election in September/October.

Patty HB will be running for Auditor /Recorder, she cannot hold that office and also be on the Chamber Board.

Sharon will not be running for VP next year and is stepping down as Goldfield Days Coordinator. She will be here to help but not as the coordinator.

The Secretary position will also be open, Ruann is now working full time and will not be able to do the Secretary position justice.

All of the people now holding these positions will be more than happy to help in any way possible.

Please feel free to send an email to the Chamber email if you have any nominations.

GOLDFIELD DAYS WRAP UP (2018):

There are some wonderful pictures in the Las Vegas Review Journal.

Sharon was quite pleased with 2018 Goldfield Days. There were a few glitches but over all it was quite positive. She said there were many more people here this year than last.

We had 26 vendors, there were some issues with the some of the food vendors.

We sold close to \$3000 in raffle tickets.

The Schedule of Events changed several times. We printed 1000 copies, we have some left which the businesses can take. They are still useful in that there is a current map on the back.

All the forms, the map layout, letters to donors, vendor Meet and Greet, Goldfield Days poster etc. is on the computer.

Vendors:

A few vendors have issues about there placement. (Aurich's ?)

Do we keep the vendors all together or spread them out?? Something to consider for next year.

Carl will get permission from Connie Wheeler in advance about the use of her properties.

Vendor spaces need to be more clearly marked. Tim suggested taping out the vendor spaces so there is a visual marking.

The vendor coordinator needs to work closely with the county. There were some unexpected changes from the county this year, which made vendor placement unpredictable.

A map needs to be in place a few weeks before the event.

There needs to be a deadline on the vendor form for preferred spaces. Late vendor regs. get what is left.

Vendor Fee ?/ Deposit !!

Food Vendors:

The Environmental Health Inspector came and there were some discrepancies. Sharon graciously took care of the situation.

We will be adding the information onto the vendor application about the food vendor permit and a link to the Environmental Health website. The form must be filed 5 days prior to the event.

Also, DEPOSIT and possible vendor fee.

There needs to be FIRST COME FIRST SERVED on the vendor form for preferred spaces.

Meaghan asked if their is a master list of where the electric and water facilities are located. This should be created for next year.

Carl talked about the lack of food vendors and ways to solicit more for next year.

Parade:

Richard and Dave Beth stepped in a the last minute because of a snafu.
THANK YOU RICHARD and DAVE !!

Jeri Foutz has volunteered as parade coordinator for next year. She would like the parade to go the other direction.

Patty suggested that the parade coordinator have at least 3 volunteers: 1. at line up, 2. space participants before judging booth, 3. parade exit

Raffle Winners:

Jerrine (from Mina) won the Gold Bar

Sharon has been making calls to the winners

Winners for all contests need to be posted at the Chamber building
(GPS, Poker Walk, Mason's raffle, T & T train raffle etc.)

Other Ideas:

Fireworks display on Saturday Eve --- take it to the Commissioners meeting

Handing out raffle tickets SOONER — Deadline on businesses selling tickets (on day of drawing)

Facebook Presence/ InstaGram ??
Jeri will try and solicit someone to set this up

Carnival Games / Activities ?
Jon Aurich suggested talking to Jim Marsh

Meeting adjourned at 7:26 pm.