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1. Call Meeting to Order:

Patty HB called the meeting to order at 6:09 pm at the Chamber of Commerce building.

Attendance: Sherry Huffman, Deborah Sharp, Peggy Carrasco (4), Tim Hipp (1), Ron Matheny (1), Gina Greenway (1), Astrid Larsen, Richard Johnson, Dick Ruiz (16), John Ekman, Patty Huber-Beth (6), Sharon Artlip (15), Richard Dizmang (8)

2. Approval of minutes:

Dick Ruiz made a motion to accept the minutes as corrected. Sherry Huffman seconded the motion.

3. Treasurers Report:

Richard has a treasurer's reports for June, July, and August. The August report is a DRAFT because there is at least one deposit and a few expenses that are not on the August report yet.

There was income listed for \$51.50, then an expense of \$51.50. The monies were collected from the GF Days vendors which we (the Chamber) then remitted to the Nevada Dept. of Taxation.

The final numbers for Goldfield Days are not in yet, but the expectation is that we will be a couple of hundred dollars ahead.

Patty reminded the membership that Goldfield Days is to benefit the Businesses in town.

Sharon made a motion to accepted the Treasurer's report, Tim seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Nomination of Officers:

Patty HB read the letter that was sent (by email) to the membership in regards to nominations of officers.

Sharon let the members know that she will be around to help with GF Days but that she would like to have the time to enjoy the festivities next year. And is very excited to see all of the volunteers that have stepped up to help make GF Days a success.

All of the information is available on the computer to make the transitions as easy as possible. The outgoing officers will also be around if there are questions.

Patty explained that she would not be able to put in the time needed to continue on as the president of the Chamber.

Richard explained that he and Ruann are filling two positions right now. Ruann now is working full time and Richard is becoming busier as well. So we feel it would be better to just fulfill one office rather than two at this point in time.

After a bit of discussion, Patty HB was willing to run for Secretary. Then Peggy Carrasco said she would run for president, and Sherry Huffman will run as Vice President. Richard (and Ruann) Dizmang will be on the ballot as Treasurer.

Sherry Huffman/Deborah Sharp accepted the position of GF Days Coordinator.

4. Billing:

Nothing is off the budget for this month.

#### 5. Membership Report:

18 businesses, 5 non profit, 3 individuals, 3 unknown

Sharon handed out Business Certificates.

There was a question about possible members from Mina (Sunrise RV Park). Discussion ensued. The Chamber decided that since the RV Park paid for 2 business memberships that is what will be honored.

#### 6. Grant Application:

Patty asked if Richard was able to find out what the break down was for our \$8000 grant. He has been out of town and does not have that break down. However, in our acceptance letter there was no break down.

Patty would like to discuss what the Chamber would like to use the grant money for, at the next meeting.

#### 7. Website Update:

Richard talked with Theresa. She is ready to start on our new website. Richard expects that we will see major progress on the website by our next meeting. Richard feels confident in the structure that the Chamber wants for the website but will need help with the details. Richard wants to get the structure in place first and then we can fill in the details.

Each business will have a business card size “area” to put information. Please send your business information to the Chamber email address.

#### NEW BUSINESS:

Patty HB informed us that Kari Frilot passed away suddenly on June 1, 2018. She was the contact person for our grants. She had been very helpful in getting the Chamber through the grant process. She will be dearly missed.

One of the teachers (Mr. Dilworth) wanted to make sure the businesses were aware of the Halloween plans for the school.

### Visitor Center Report:

Astrid Larsen and Richard Johnson have been volunteers at the Visitor Center and have done an amazing job !! THANK YOU ASTRID AND RICHARD!

Thank you also to Gina for hosting Astrid and Richard while they have been in Goldfield.

Astrid reported that there were 377 visitors during the month of August. During Goldfield Days there were 123 visitors that came through the Visitor Center.

ALLIED PRO is one of tour bus companies that stopped. A suggestion was made about the businesses in town coming up with a coupon book to give to visitors.

Sharon asked what days and times were the most populated. Richard J. said that Thursday, Friday, Saturday. They was more attendance in the afternoons. He said they closed at 2 but he believes that staying open later might be beneficial, maybe 10 to 3.

The tour buses come on Tuesday and Thursday between 1 and 2 pm.

Dick Ruiz, Tim Hipp, and Jeri Foutz were in agreement that the Visitor Center should be open Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

### **We are requesting volunteers.**

We are looking for the Visitor Center to be open from 11 to 2 (or 3), about 4 hours.

Patty wanted to remind everyone that as members of the community we need to be supportive of each other, whether or not the business is a part of the Chamber.

The president adjourned the meeting at 7:10 pm.