

NORTH PARK CHAMBER OF COMMERCE MEETING MINUTES

Thursday January 18th, 5:30pm

5:31pm

CALL TO ORDER – ROLL CALL

- Eliza Howard, Hailey Vigil, Kimberly Mullinex via phone, Beverly Andrus, Kaela Wolvington, Sam Martin, Stephanie Gonzales

PUBLIC COMMENT

- none

CONSENT AGENDA

MINUTES

- Double check financials from previous minutes

BILLS TO PAY

- \$350 rent, IFT prize checks need to be sent for \$1500, \$1000, and \$500 plus one hourly prize of \$100 and a youth 4th place \$25.

TREASURER'S REPORT

- Eliza did not have time to grab, should be pretty much the same as last meeting minus \$200 for cash boxes and \$350 rent.

CORRESPONDENCE

- Final check for christmas trees received.
- Eliza made a motion to accept the consent agenda, Hailey seconded. Consent agenda approved.

URGENT BUSINESS

PRESIDENT'S RESIGNATION AND BOARD MEMBER NOMINATIONS

- Kim Mullinex has resigned as president. Only current members are Eliza as Secretary and Hailey as Member-At-Large. Hailey made a motion to install Eliza as interim president until such time as a new one is voted in, Eliza seconded. Motion passed.
- Eliza stated the need for the Chamber to offer measurable benefit to the community and to members. If concrete goals and improvements cannot be made, the Chamber should cease to operate. She suggested the timeline of one year to make it happen, those present agreed.
- Beverly reminded about vendors wanting ability to show products in the office, and Chamber Bucks as incentives for volunteers. Sam suggested a dry-erase board to keep track of goals and notes during meetings.
- Beverly suggested sending a survey to membership list with questions preemptive to annual meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

ICE FISHING TOURNAMENT RECAP

- Eliza has placed an ad in the Saratoga Sun for both tournaments. Should be around \$200.

- Previously the office was open for registration from 8am to 8pm. Kaela, Stephanie, Eliza, and Beverly offered to work registration for Delaney at the office on Friday. Schedule is as follows: 8:00 - 10:00 Kaela, 10:00 - noon Eliza, Noon - 3 Stephanie, 11-1pm Beverly, Eliza will try to get coverage to work the rest of the time.
- Volunteers are needed for working Delaney. Stephanie and Hailey are out of town. Doug will likely help and Eliza will work to get shift covered to help. Kim will likely help. Eliza will put out a FB post ask for volunteers and email to membership.
- Prize ceremony will be at the lake

RIBBON CUTTING UPDATES

- Dana will have Emma reach out to Eliza hopefully about Roadhouse, Trading Post, Howling Coyote
- Rita's - Kim might have been in touch with them
- Eliza will order big scissors and red tape

MONEY FROM CHRISTMAS TREES

- Discussion tabled until Emma is available.

NEW BUSINESS:

SAGE GROUSE TOURS

- Those present suggested bus rental from the school. Eliza recalled there being an issue with needing a CDL. Stephanie is fairly certain that it is not needed for 12 or fewer passengers which may or may not work. Stephanie will reach out to school.
- Beverly advised that there was a car rental place in Granby that the Chamber used at one point.
- Dinner was agreed to be at the River Rock and 10th Frame - Eliza will reach out for pricing and reservations.
- CPW speaker - Eliza will reach out
- Dale? Perhaps Melanie can reach out?

ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIPS 2024

- In the past there has been a \$1000 scholarship, and a vocational \$500 scholarship. Eliza will try find the applications for them. Stephanie will inform the school that they will be happening. Application deadline will be April 2nd, interviews following week, October 1st school info required.
- Beverly and Sam stated that they will help interview the applicants.
- Some questions to add or adapt for the current application were suggested: What would be your vision for a vibrant chamber of commerce and/or what opportunities at the Chamber for youth could you suggest? How would you bring the town into the 21st century?
- Sam reminded to keep requirements simple and attainable
- Applications should be emailed to president@northparkchamber.org
- Transcript will not be required.

SCHEDULE MEMBER EVENT

- Annual meeting is next event
- Be thinking about options for April and going forward. Feedback will be sought from members at annual meeting.

ANNUAL MEETING 2024

- 10th Frame possibly? Hors d'oeuvres/ appetizers. If not there then a potato bar, taco bar, or appetizers at the SCD.
- Questions to be sent to membership beforehand: How can the chamber help you/your business? What was good in 2023 and what can be improved? What would you like to see the Chamber do in 2024? What is your volunteer commitment to help the Chamber achieve its goals?
- Eliza suggested sending formal postcard invites. Board agreed on max \$100 for print and mailing.
- There should be FB posts and emails sent out to remind members. Mid feb survey, beginning of March, postcards one month in advance

SNOW REMOVAL

- Mackenzie has not been doing it. \$15/per shovel. Eliza will check with Hotel employees for interest.

CONSTANT CONTACT

- Option for keeping email addresses and sending marketing or survey emails before/after events.
- Currently emails for IFT are all in Swipe Simple and are not exportable. Sam volunteered for data entry to get them imported. May be easier by printing off from president's email.
Thank you Sam!

Next meeting Feb 15th 5:30pm

Eliza made a motion to adjourn, Hailey seconded. Meeting adjourned at 6:41pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Eliza Howard
Interim President and Secretary.