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Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce Regular Session Meeting Minutes

Date: August 12, 2025 at 5:59 PM

Location: Cross Plains Chamber Office

Meeting was called to order by Tiffany Holland at 5:59 PM

Members Present: Susan Schaefer, Raven Smith, Tiffany Holland, Sheila Blackburn, Dana

Sons, Casie Morgan, Rebecca Smoot, George Mathews

Others Present: Ruby Wilke

Members Phoned In: Kristin Boggs

Members Not Present: Jake Estes

Citizens to be Heard: None present

Minutes from the Previous Meeting: Motion to approve minutes was given by Sheila. Raven seconded. The Board voted. 8 Ayes. 0 Nays. Motion carried.

Financial Report: Was presented by Kristin Boggs who reported that we had a net income of \$1910.46 for the month.

Old Business: Tiffany wanted to know an update on the HOT Tax. Ruby has sent many emails and has called. It is suggested that any further communication be in writing. Then when sending an email that all chamber members are carbon copied to the email so that we know the progress they are making or the lack there of.

Board Member Reports and Suggestions: Susan said the 1023ez will have a \$600 fee. We still have to file the articles of incorporation of all exhibits.

New Business:

- a. We got the certificate of formation. We have an ID# for Grow with Cross Plains, Inc.
- B. Narrative of Planned Activities include EMT-basic, fire school, first responders. Included with blue collar jobs. Bylaws must have ,Inc. After Grow CP.
- c. They need a separate board for Grow Cross Plains, Inc. Suggested members are: Sheila, Raven, Kristin, Susan, Sheila, and Dana. Maybe bring on Jason Henry, Cisco College, or a community agency like TSTC, TWFC, The ARK, SBCA, or Ranger College. We need to accept all of Sheila's forms: Narrative of Planned Activities, Bylaws, Conflict of Interest Policy, and Annual Conflict of Interest Disclosure Form. Kristin motions to accept Sheila's forms and Raven motions to second. 8 ayes. 0 Nays.
- d. Bingo brought in \$943.00. We made \$699.43 profit from Bingo Income and \$331.09 chamber bingo donation and \$368.34 bingo concession sales. Sheila wants more oversight with the bingo report on each financial report. It needs to state exactly what we

brought in and what we paid out. After each bingo night there needs to be a nightly report. We stated that the procedures are as follows: Kristin and Jake countdown the money. Casie is in charge of concessions. We have started putting everything in the counter to see how much we sell of each item each night. The money is then taken to the safe in Kristin's office until morning when the money can be deposited into the bank. Then it was said that Ruby had been paid out of the Bingo income since she hadn't been paid in a while. Sheila said all payroll needs to be paid out of the chamber account only and not bingo. Next Bingo night is August 26, 2025.

- e. During the SPUR conference they made so many partnerships. Learned a lot about foundations. It was a great conference!!
- f. About the Dinosaur race. It's a great idea. Possibly change it to a buffalo race. Maybe a stick horse race. We will keep this on the working agenda
- g. Banquet
 - 1. Nominations are done and closed.
 - 2. Silent Auction Items are 3 trips, a gun, dig for 2, and several others.
- 3. Awards will be printed on cardstock by Casie. Rudy made them on Canva. Kristin donated the frames.
- 4. Susan is sponsoring the old members through her members. Current members don't have to pay for their tickets.
- 5. Raven took care of the food through Underwoods. She got 10% off. 100-120 for \$9-\$10 a plate. We chose to have coleslaw, potato salad and beans with the entree. They will be serving grilled chicken or barbecue chicken and sausage with cobbler and rolls. We will get tea from HTeaO and get some pickles to serve.
- 6.Speaking roles: Rebecca does not want to speak. Susan wants to present the honors. Sheila to introduce Hanna. Tiffany is working on the speech.
- 7. Everyone needs to sign up for duties at the banquet. Arrive at 4:00 and food needs to arrive @ 5:00.
 - 8. Haylee didn't get many tickets
- h. Why is the banquet in September? It used to be in July but attendance was down because no one was in town due to vacation.

Adjournment: With nothing further to discuss, a motion was made by Susan to adjourn the meeting and seconded by Raven. Tiffany Holland thereupon called the meeting adjourned at 7:51 pm.

Date of Next Meeting September 8, 2025

Minutes submitted by:	
	Casie Morgan, Secretary
Minutes approved by:	

Tiffany Holland, President