
Anthony Chamber of Commerce

Board of Directors Minutes

February 14, 2019

A regular meeting of the Anthony Chamber of Commerce was held February 14, 2019. Directors present were Sheila Adams, Bette DeMeritt, Pat Myers, Ron Poor, Kayla Brown, Paul Southwick, Janie Gates and Gwen Warner. Absent was Wes Higgs, and Eric Gates. Also present was Tabitha Bandy.

President Sheila Adams called the meeting to order. Motion by Kayla Brown, seconded by Pa Myers, to approve the January 10, 2019 minutes. Motion Carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a. **Annual Meeting Update** – Bette DeMeritt gave a brief update on the Annual Meeting. Everyone agreed the meeting went very well with about 70 paid members and 20 Local Vocals in attendance. Gwen Warner reported we have \$1,275 income and ads were \$300, \$312.58 in grocery bills which left a profit of \$662.42. With \$225 as donations this left a net profit of \$437.42 for the meal.
- b. **Friendship Meals** – Friendship Meals is having their Annual February Fundraiser and have requested our assistance in getting the word out. Janie Gates took the box for donations and will display it at Higher Grounds & Leather Bounds where it can get more exposure from the public.
- c. **Sunflower Balloon Fest Transient Grant Application** – The City of Anthony approved our grant application at their February 5, 2019 meeting.
- d. **Anthony Recreation** – Tabitha Bandy was in attendance to update the board on the possibility of having the 9 and under baseball tournament in July. If they get accepted to have it in Anthony, she needs support from the Chamber and retail community in providing activities for the visitors. More will come on this when they find out if they are chosen for this tournament. Discussed was sidewalk sales, movie, staying open late, welcome package, swimming, selling banners, carnival at HGLB, lake activities, ball drop etc.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a. **Downtown Discussion** – Janie Gates announced that there is a possible sale of the Elliott Mortuary.
- b. **Fundraising** – More discussion was held on possible fundraising for the Chamber. A golf tournament was one idea. We will have an informal, meeting February 28 to have more discussion about this matter.

NEW BUSINESS

- ✓ **Approve January Financial** – Motion by Ron Poor, seconded by Pat Myers to approve the January Financial. Motion Carried.
- ✓ **T2C Job Fair at Chaparral** – Britt Gates was unable to be in attendance but wished to inform the board of the upcoming Job Fair to be held at Chaparral March 21.

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If you wish to have a booth or offer an internship or job to one of the youth, you can fill out their form available here at the Chamber office or in your e-mail.

- ✓ **Past Due Accounts** – Discussion was held on past due accounts. The board plans to come up with a policy to help with collections and alleviate this problem.
- ✓ **Informal Meeting** – The board decided to meet February 28, 2019 at noon at Higher Grounds and Leather Bounds for an informal meeting. Ron Poor has volunteered to provide lunch.

Other Business:

Thank You From Irmal Hays – The Board received a very nice “Thank You” from Irmal Hays for the plaque she received at the Annual Meeting.

Janie Gates reminded the board that Higher Grounds and Leather Bounds will have their annual Steak Dinner and Auction Fundraiser, March 30th.

Committees – Please let Sheila Adams or Gwen Warner know what committee (s) you wish to serve on.

Meeting Adjourned at 1:15 p.m. Motion by Ron Poor, seconded by Pat Myers to adjourn. Motion Carried.

Minutes Respectfully Submitted by Gwen Warner Executive Director

Announcements:

February 16.....	No School, Professional Development
February 18.....	No School – Presidents Day
March 1.....	School Dismissed at 11:30
March 2.....	6 th Harper County’s Got Talent – Anthony Theatre
March 7-8-9.....	Sales Days in Anthony
March 10.....	Daylight Savings Time Begins
March 14.....	Chamber Board Meeting
March 17.....	St. Patrick’s Day
March 11 – 15.....	USD 361 – Spring Break
March 30.....	HGLB Steak Dinner & Auction Fundraiser