

## MINUTES FROM HILL CITY AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE MEETING

Hill City Area Chamber of Commerce met on Wed. February 17, 2010 at the Hill City Community Room – at old Woodland Bank building

Those present at the meeting were: Hank Berg, Tina Harcey, Greg Bounds, Bambi Lange, Dave Lange, Tami Meyer, Janet & Tim Hatfield, and Joell Miranda.

President Dave Lange called the meeting to order at 6 pm.

Secretary's report was read, Janet Hatfield made motion to accept the minutes, Tami Meyer second motion, the motion passed.

The treasurer was not present to give a treasurer's report. Of the money in the Woodland Bank account about \$2,200.00 is earmarked for special things. Tami Meyer made motion to pay Kim Niles and Lake Country Power bill, Greg Bound second the motion, the motion passed.

It was discussed about the possibility of sending postcards welcoming newcomers to the area.

We discussed the amount for the scholarship the Chamber does each year. Usually the Chamber does 1 scholarship for \$250.00. With the fundraiser we had last fall with the Harlem Ambassadors, 1/3 of proceeds was to go toward scholarship. Janet Hatfield made a motion for the Chamber to do 2 (two) \$300.00 scholarships this spring. Hank Berg second the motion, the motion passed. Bambi Lange will type of the letter about the scholarships and get it to the counselor at school.

Next item discussed was the Easter Egg Hunt. Hollie Hanson has volunteered to be in charge of this event. It was discussed that we may need more new eggs this year. Will check with Hollie to see if she has ordered more eggs and how much money is usually spent on candy filling the eggs.

Greg Bounds is still working on finding out about liability insurance for the Chamber. Do we need special riders on it for 4th of July events and Art In the Park?

Quadna Resort has gone through some extensive remodeling and has recently re-opened their dining room and lounge. Chamber thought it would be nice to give Quadna a plant for their opening. The Chamber gave Kathy Bounds permission to pick up a plant to present to Quanda – she had done a really nice job on the other ones she had recently picked up for businesses that had remodel, new building, or new owners. We will also contact Hollie Hanson to see if Quadna is doing any type of opening events.

It was stated at our meeting that the road construction along Lake Avenue in Hill City would not be starting till after July 4th so we won't have to worry about it not being finished in time for 4th of July celebrations.

People are to come to the next meeting with ideas for themes for the 4th of July. One suggestion was centered around the centennial of the City of Hill City becoming incorporated. Hill City was incorporated on March 5, 1910. Another theme could center on the Fly-Over for Hill City on July 4th .

Also at the next meeting we need to decide on the day for the parade – Sat. or Sun. – what time. Stretching out the activities over Sat. and Sun. – doing the flotilla, bingo, pie & ice cream social, family day and game . We need to set up committees NOW for various events and not wait till June to decide what to do when.

We discussed rates for vendors – Greg Bounds made a motion to set vendor fees the same as they have been the last 2 years. For craft vendors \$25 for 1 day or \$50 for the weekend. If you are a local member of the Chamber (before July 1st ) vendor fee would be \$25 whether it was for 1 day or the weekend. Rate for the food vendor would be \$150.00. Joell Miranda seconds the motion, the motion passed. It was decided not to lower the fees as some people wanted us to do. We will need to carry insurance for such events, we need to be able to find ways to cover those fees; vendors' fees are one way to do cover part of the cost.

Another was to cover some of the cost for insurance the Chamber needs to carry would be to charge for use of the pavilion. This will be discussed more once we find out what insurance will cost us.

It was also discussed about the Chamber donating X-amount or a percentage for the fireworks for the 4th of July.

It was also discussed getting tee shirts printed and sell for the 4th of July celebration.

Under new business – Greg Bounds asked for \$100 donation for scholarship help for girls participating in Jr. Olympics. Tami Meyer made the motion to donate \$100 for this using part of money that was set aside from proceeds from Harlem Ambassadors for kids to attend sports camps.

Hank Berg seconds the motion. The motion passed, Greg Bounds will find out whom to make the check to.

The Hill City Fire Dept. Annual Fish Fry will be on April 17, 2010 from 5 – 7pm at the Hill City Fire Hall.

Greg Bounds will post that event, plus Jacobson's St.Urhos, Easter Egg Hunt on the calendar he upkeeps on the Chamber website.

It was suggested that it would be nice to see golf on ice or baseball on ice or maybe dance to coordinate with fishing tournament that is held in Feb.

The next meeting will be on Wed. March 10 instead of March 17 at 6pm at Hill City Community Room. (1/3 of those present have another meeting on March 17 so that is why the date was changed) Usual meeting day for the Chamber is the third Wed. of each month at 6pm.

No further business to discuss the meeting was adjourned.