

## **HILL CITY AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE**

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Minutes from June 9, 2010 Meeting

The Hill City Area Chamber of Commerce met on Wed. June 9th, 2010 at 7:30pm in the meeting room of Hill City's City Hall.

Those present at the meeting were: Bill Klennert, Jessica Ahonen, Joell Miranda, Tami Meyer, Tina Harvey, Hank Berg, JulieAnn Larkin, Janet Hatfield, Mark Meyer, Dave and Bambi Lange.

The secretary's report was given; Tami Meyer made motion to approve the minutes, motion second by Joell Miranda, the motion passed.

The treasurer's report was given. \$375.00 has been collected from vendors for booths reserved, \$36.00 collected from button sales. Bills to be paid were: \$315 for BBQ advertising for KOZY radio (this will be refunded to Chamber from BBQ group – they used our name to get a better rate), \$900 for tee shirts printed for 4th of July sales (100 tee shirts), \$40.00 for raffle tickets for raffle to be done on June 19th. Leaving a balance in the Chamber account of about \$3080.62, of that money \$333.55 is from Aitkin County Tourism Grant to be spent only on new advertising promoting the Hill City area to outside areas. Bambi Lange made motion to accept the treasurer's report, motion second by Joell Miranda, the motion passed.

Tina Harcey reported that so far she has sold 19 spots on the back of the 4th of July tee shirt for advertising. She has collected \$1,350.00 so far, 2 businesses still have to pay.

Lisa Anderson was not at the meeting to give us any updates on the raffle ticket sale scheduled for June 19th at Mike's Uptown. Sam & Joell Miranda will provide pulled pork for sandwiches anything else is up to Lisa and to let us know if she needs specific help in any area.

Bill Klennert was at the meeting to update us on the softball tournament scheduled for June 26 & 27. He has 16 teams scheduled. Jessi Ahonen will fill out the paperwork for him at school to use the softball fields there. Bill will contact Goble Port-a-Potty for outhouses for the weekend. Bill discussed the possibility of doing another tourney, possibly the weekend of July 24-25 since this one is full and he has had to turn some teams away.

The Chamber will sell pulled pork sandwiches, hot dogs & chips, bars –donated by Chamber members. Jessi Ahonen volunteered to pick up some supplies for us at Sam's Club (boats to put sandwiches in,

nachos & cheese, cheap candy, pickles, etc) Tami Meyer will see about getting pop & water cheap at Wal-Mart.

Bill stated he is looking for 1-2 kids to be ball chasers for the weekend – to be there all day and chase fly balls.

Jessie Ahonen was going to check with LJ's to see if the Chamber could use their popcorn machine to make popcorn to sell at softball tourney and also on 4th of July weekend.

The Chamber discussed ads for local newspapers. They decided to check out the advertising rates at the Bargain Hunter and Frog Hopper before making any decisions since those 2 papers go to everyone in the area, not just people that subscribe to certain papers.

It was stated that Harry Hilton had been approached to ride in \_\_\_\_\_ vehicle in the parade. The Chamber will check to see if Harry would be willing to be the Grand Marshall for our parade this year.

Dave Lange had checked with Wayne Jacobson Sr., and Deloris & Herb Stanberry about being grand marshals, they both and declined it at this time.

Dave Lange will see about getting signs for the city to mark the streets as "No Parking" before the parade.

The parade route was discussed, it was decided that going up the hill at the bottom of Lake Avenue might not work. As of right now parade will be on the regular parade route. We need people to walk along Lake Avenue and remind people to stay off the street and stay by the curb. Also we need to remind people and floats in the parade there should be NO THROWING CANDY from the floats, walk along by the curb dispersing the candy.

The issue of possible mud from Mike's Uptown on the sidewalk and street from their mud volleyball being held on Sat. The Chamber would like Mike's to have the mud cleaned up off the sidewalk and street area by 10am on Sunday for the safety and cleanliness of the crowds that will be in town on Sunday for the parade and street games.

The Chamber decided not to do bingo this year. The permit has not been requested yet, and it being less than 30 days till it is needed it will cost more. Also having people find the time to go around and request donations for nice prizes and to find callers. May do it again next year. This year the workers that we have are already stretched for the weekend.

The Chamber went through the front page of the June/July Events Checklist. They decided to continue on the second page at the next meeting next week.

No further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned.

Minutes taken by:

Bambi Lange Chamber Secretary