

**Hancock Area Chamber of Commerce**

**Monthly Meeting Minutes**

**Hancock Cinemas**

**3/2/2021**

**5:45pm-6:30pm**

**Members Present:** Presiding Chairman Bill Gross, Treasurer Mike Argiros, Cindy Argiros, Terry and Jim Milk, Kristin Burden, Dan Clark, Chris Gross, Andrew Gross, Ashley Rossi, Matt Tratner, Valerie Senese. Erin Mason attended via cell phone.

Approval of Minutes:

**Minutes from 2/10/2021 were approved with a Motion from Dan Clark, Seconded by Cindy Argiros. Minutes were approved**

- Treasurer report reflects \$13, xxx.xx in the account. Mike noted that funds in this amount are reflected to show the money for "take a country road" brochure. All the bills are paid and accounts are in good standing. All dues are collected.

**Bed Tax Grant:**

- Bill Gross discussed Christmas on the Square. The grant was re-submitted from last year. The general amount is approximately \$2500.00.

**Committee Reports for Activity and Fundraising:**

Moonlight Float

- Moon Light Float: Bill needs about 6 volunteers for the event on July 24<sup>th</sup>. Bill noted the event brings a mix of River users. Cindy, Chris and April volunteered.

Trivia Night at the Hotel:

- Bill discussed a fall trivia at the Hancock Hotel. It was noted to explore a summer nights trivia at the Town Square. Erin updated the chamber that the previous supplier is no longer servicing trivia night. Trivia night had a cost of \$500.00 that was split between the Chamber and the Hancock Hotel. By doing it in the Square, the Chamber would need to find a sponsor so that the Chamber can make money. Bill will do some research based on the feedback.

Chili and Chowder:

- Bill spoke with Coz regarding a list of items for the committee to handle. The proposed date is September 17<sup>th</sup>. The event has been tentatively approved however, a budget and further details are still needed. Bill will forward a list of needed volunteers to help with the event via email to the Chamber. Dan Clark has volunteered to sit on the committee.

Membership Committee:

- Window clings are available. They will be available at Bisbees and the Hancock Herald. New members are Terry and Jim from Rock Valley Spirits and Andrew Baker.

Business Brochure Update:

- The brochure has a drafted map already. Unfortunately, we will probably not meet the April 1<sup>st</sup> deadline. It looks more like April 15<sup>th</sup> to May 1<sup>st</sup>. It was noted that a town amenities list is needed: historical sites, boat launches, hiking trails, river access etc. Ashley will circulate an email through the Chamber to make sure a Town amenity is not missed. Regarding distribution, if anyone has a connection with an out of town placement for the brochures please connect with Ashley.

**Follow Up:**

- Thank you to the Village streets department for clearing snow off the sidewalks.
- Mike Argiros took down Christmas decorations. Bill will get to the pavilion and store them. Chris has cleared a path to the tree to get the lights and start off the tree. Once that is done, the tree can come down.

**Other Business:**

- Valerie gave a report on the Hancock Community Profile update request. Valerie stated the profile is from 2004 and could use updates to keep its credibility. Bill Gross motioned \$250 dollars to the Hancock Partners for the HCP update Seconded by Erin Mason. No one was opposed. Motion Carried

Follow Up on the Chamber Website:

- Nancy Furdock would be willing to maintain the Chamber website for \$1200.00 a year. The Hancock Partners will add it to their agenda for consideration for a \$600 a year donation.
- Also noted for further consideration is content creation for social media and the website.

Hancock Herald:

- Cindy brought up the business directory that the Hancock Herald is putting together. It is a summer directory that will be free to the public and dispersed widely. The deadline to apply is March 5th. Bill will email the information to the Board and do a vote.

**Meetings are the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of every month, 5:45pm at the Hancock Cinema**

Motion to adjourn by Dan, seconded by Chris. Meeting adjourned at 6:30 PM.