

Chamber of Commerce Meeting Minutes



Date: February 13, 2024

Time: 6:30

Location: Hartshorne Public Library

Present: Heather Moore, Justin McLemore, Stacy McLemore, Cindy Bedford, Tyler Moore, Michell Harrell, Becky Johnson, Terri Smith, Trevor Smith, Kristen King, Sash Johnson and Steve Johnson

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 6:37 by Heather Moore, prayer was given by Cindy Bedford and the Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Treasurer's Report: Tyler Moore provided a detailed financial overview, highlighting income, expenditures, and the current budget status. A motion to approve the Treasurer's report was made by Trevor Smith and 2nd by Michell Harrell. Motion passed

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes: The minutes from the previous meeting held on January 9, 2024 were presented. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Michell Harrell and 2nd by Trevor Smith. Motion Passed

Discussion over old business: Easter location to be changed from Catholic Park to the Rodeo Grounds. Heather will post for needed donations. As the plastic eggs and candy are gathered up they will be taken to either Lori Cook's class or T3 Tire and Welding. Motion made by Trevor Smith and 2nd Becky Johnson by. Motion Passed

Presentation Speaker: Aaron Deering and Trinity Lively from SBDC EOSC were to speak. However, due to a scheduling conflict on their end they were not able to attend our meeting. They will reschedule next month for our March meeting.

Sash Johnson & Steve Johnson did however give an informative talk over their company (Choctaw Websites). They have offered to give the Chamber Free classes over many business subjects. A date is set for March 16, 2024 at 11:00 am at the Hartshorne Public Library for the *Plan a Year of Marketing in One Day using a Content Calendar*. Any of us can contact her at Sash@ChoctawWebsites.com over setting up a class at the Wilburton Location of the Jennifer Woods Choctaw Nation Community Center. The Chamber will plan more classes/programs at a future meeting.

Discussion Over New Business: Discussion over the membership form and pricing for membership took place. Cindy made the newly designed form. The group asked for the Small Business (DBA, sole Proprietor) to move up on the form. Changing the prices and name of the Individuals to Associates with a price change from \$20.00 to be \$30.00 was decided. The Senior Citizens & Students will increase from \$10.00 to be \$20.00. A motion was made by Trevor Smith and 2nd by Michell Harrell. Motion Passed

Ribbon cutting ceremonies were discussed. Decided on a price of **\$50.00** and free for members of the Hartshorne Area Chamber of Commerce. They would be able to join prior to the event. A gift of a frame with a certificate of membership will be given. A motion was made by Trevor Smith and 2nd by Michell Harrell. Motion Passed

A discussion over purchasing or someone donating a better 4-drawer file cabinet for the Chamber to have improved space took place. Heather will ask Angie Wilcox about a file cabinet and Kristen King will donate the folders.

A discussion took place over a Domain name and creating emails for officers. Sash Johnson and Tyler Moore will research more and we will revisit this at the March Meeting. A motion was made by Terri Smith and 2nd by Michell Harrell. Motion Passed

Discussion over the Chamber's 501c status took place. It was decided that Tyler Moore, Justin McLemore and Heather Moore would research what needs to be done. When correct information is gathered, Tyler Moore (Treasurer) will pay the required amount from Chamber Funds. A motion was made by Terri Smith and 2nd by Michell Harrell. Motion Passed

A dance fundraiser was discussed. A committee consisting of Justin McLemore, Michell Harrell and Tyler Moore was formed. The committee will gather information and present their findings the March meeting. A motion was made by Stacy McLemore and 2nd by Terri Smith. Motion Passed

We ended the meeting with Smith's talking about their upcoming event of a Play Day at the Rodeo Grounds in March. Heather Moore spoke about the Band Fundraiser coming up and the Weight Lift Meet that will be hosted by Hartshorne this year.

Community Calendar - Set dates for chamber events:

- Easter: March 30th at 10:00 am
- 4th of July: Tabled Motion made by Kristen King and 2nd by Angie Wilcox
- Trunk or Treat: October 31st
- Christmas Drawing: 14th

VII. Closing Remarks: Heather Moore thanked everyone for their participation and announced the next meeting, scheduled for March 12, 2024 at Hartshorne Public Library. Motion made to adjourn by Trevor Smith and 2nd by Michell Harrell. Motion Passed