

Chamber of Commerce Meeting Minutes

Date: July 9, 2024

Time: 6:30 pm

Location: Hartshorne Public Library

Present: Heather Moore, Justin McLemore, Stacy McLemore, Tyler Moore, Shirley Mathews, Angie Wilcox, Terri Smith, Trevor Smith and Michell Harrell

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 6:33 pm by Heather Moore, Justin McLemore gave prayer 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 Terri Smith and Angie Wilcox 2nd by. Motion passed

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes: The minutes from the previous meeting held on, June 11, 2024 were presented. Correction made of time of meeting to be at 6:30 pm on July 9th. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Michell Harrell and 2nd by Terri Smith Motion passed

Discussion over old business: Discussion of the Blue Mountain Festival location being at the Rodeo Grounds or other places for the future events. What was made by the Dunk Tank- (\$661.00) – what did the tank cost (\$105.00) - what did the band cost (\$200) – what was donated by Races (\$500) Justin questioned the profit from the tank and how it was analyzed to determine the actual profit. Heather and Terri said they were only told about Chamber being in charge of parade a few minutes before it started. There had been no discussion over this in a Chamber Meeting so Chamber was not aware of this. Now that we know, it will be handled by Chamber and will be taken care of. Terri Smith said she would see about horses riding at the parade in the future. Dunk Tank needs better protection around the target. We will get that figured out before having the tank again. A ball hit a parked vehicle right behind the tank and person owning the vehicle should have to cover the cost himself or herself. The people parked in the area were told they probably should move their vehicles. The people did not move. Terri Smith did not charge the person their vendor fee. Police report was filed. Justin had phone calls over why Dunk Tank was inside the rodeo grounds. Discussion over where to have the Dunk Tank at next event took place. Possible inflatables for future Blue Mountain Festival was mentioned. We will look into where this could happen.

Discussion over By-Laws: Heather has not sent them to the members as of the meeting because members have not given their emails and she needs stamps.

Discussion over the purchase of a banner again with Chamber logo: The banner was mentioned at the previous meeting. There was not a motion made at previous meeting to purchase the banner. A purchase of a canopy was also discussed to go along with banner. Motion made by Terri Smith and 2nd by Angie Wilcox to purchase the banner now and canopy to be purchased when they go on sale. Motion passed

Discussion of the Website: Heather needs photos for the website; do not send a screenshot – Website cost (\$12.17)

Discussion over New Business Discussion of next Rodeo in September 6th and 7th – band and dunk tank possibility of being at tennis courts – Donation jars for band. Tennis courts request needs to be made by August to the City. Motion made to get Dunk Tank by Terri Smith and 2nd by Angie Wilcox

Discussion of Fireworks for next year 2025: Who will keep up with the donated funds (city) (fire department) (Chamber) this needs to be found out. Ideas for fundraisers are pancake dinner, breakfast, lunches, or dinners – cow pie (pile) bingo to go along with the rodeo – Chicken bingo – Possibility of doing meals with the Fire Department and Chamber together at the Nutrition Center for fundraising. Tyler will speak with the Fire Department at their next meeting for collaborating with Chamber. Petting zoo of small animals and charge to enter. Come with more ideas at next meeting.

Discussion over Chamber member going to City Council Meeting: Michell is wondering if a member of the Chamber could go to the council meeting each month. We would need a volunteer list made of people who are willing to go.

Community Calendar - Set dates for chamber events:

o Trunk or Treat: October 31st

o Christmas Drawing: 14th

VII. Closing Remarks: Heather Moore thanked everyone for their participation and announced the next meeting, scheduled for August 13, 2024 at 6:30 pm. Location to be at the Hartshorne Public Library. Motion made to adjourn by Terri Smith and 2nd by Angie Wilcox. Heather Moore dismissed at 7:09 pm