

Birch Bay Chamber of Commerce
Board of Directors Meeting
Location: VIC 5:30 PM
March 14, 2019
Minutes

Call to order: (President Mike Peetoom)

Attending:

Billy Brown VP, Liz Exec. Director, Yvonne Lindquist Sec., Doralee Booth Liaison, Vanessa Bell and Tony Reyes

Absent and Excused:

Iain Buchannan, Nancy Stull and Pam Hanson

Public Comment: (3 minutes)

Douglas said "Thank You" and wants letter of recommendation and reasons why of dismissal.

Sheriff Todd Damon re: Public Safety Event with Iain@waterslides. It's a free event to the public. Event is looking for business support. Vanessa will give food and money to Waterslides in support of event and the Waterslides. The Blaine Police Dept. and BB Fire Dept./First Responders sponsor event and its on June 21st at the Water Slides.

Vanessa Bell will be the Coordinator of this event.
Event time is either 5 P.M. or 6 P.M. to be decided.

"National Night Out": Vanessa Bell wants to organize this event. The BB Chamber will ask BB Parks and Rec. to use the BB Park on June 21st and Vanessa will get the community to help volunteer for this event. Chamber will get out BBQ's and we will cook hotdogs.

Member of the Month

March: Paso Del Norte was recognized at our March luncheon at Bay Horizon Gym at 11:30 A.M..

Minutes and updates:

One correction: Roland Middleton spoke at luncheon not Joe Rutan.

Vanessa Bell made a motion to approve the minutes and Billy seconded the motion. The motion was carried and passed.

Liaison Report:

Doralee Booth: Suggestions that someone on the board run for Blaine School Board. We need to promote the Birch Bay School. Mothers from Birch Bay need to be involved in Blaine School District to promote the need of an elementary school here at the beach. Birch Bay taxpayers send a lot of money to the Blaine School District and we at the beach continue to be pushed aside and ignored. The Blaine School District on the map is long and we at BB are cut out of the middle. We are going to fight to get the district connected and not separated like it is now. Doralee is suggesting two mothers of elementary school aged kids run for the Blaine School Board. Doralee will be happy to come and talk to our school district women at a coffee and motivate them to run for the Blaine School board.

BB Parks and Rec: Playground has received money for benches and bike racks.

Friends of BB Library: On June 19th on the lawn at new library site will be a small carnival with BBQ'd hamburgers and hot dogs will be set up to raise money for our new library.

Financial Report:

Tabled until Nancy Stull returns

Executive Report: Liz

Liz's new email address is: Director@birchbaychamber.com

Thursday March 21st will introduce Fan Fest leaders to membership and planned three day's events.

Catering by Pasco Del Norte for luncheon and the cost is \$10 and please RSVP to VIC.

April Luncheon: Speaker is to be decided

Membership Update: Email/Calling to renew memberships/Solicit new members.

Philips 66 joined as a New Member for \$500.

New Member Welcome Bags:

2019 Chamber Stickers to be ordered.

Sponsorships: Every sponsorship is available for events.

Mike P. is chair of Kite Festival

Executive Director will be introduced and ask for goodies for the Membership Bags.

Liz talked to Dori on organization of Quick Books

We need a dedicated area for employee's information that is under lock.

Care is important that our wording isn't connected with an AKA on Instagram and Facebook.

Current BB Chamber membership: to be updated

New Business:

Terry has a \$7500 sponsorship for Fan Fest Kids Zone

Iain is talking about sponsoring the Kite Festival.

BB Chamber is sponsoring the Beer Garden at Fan Fest and we are looking for a commercial sponsor.

Looking for : "Dickerson" to Sponsor the second beer garden.

Iron Clad Chairs for events...deciding tonight who are the chairs!

Bottom line... Mike P and Billy B are chairs of all until new chairs step up.

Billy Brown says all permits are going in next week.

Makensey has a book for each event that will be added to with Liz.

Doralee insists that we have continued organizational meetings for each event.

Billy will work with Liz for logistics for each event.

Rollback fell apart due to competing events car owners planned on going to.

Pres. Mike P. has a new plan is in order with a younger group of rat rods. Vicious Car Works is the club. All rods are welcome.

Venders will be hand picked for quality.

20 Venders and 5 Food trucks for Roll Back is suggested. We will have separate meetings for separate events.

Budget: Doralee and Billy worked on budget. Guideline for what we can spend. Budget looks tight.

Motion by Yvonne to pass the budget. Tony seconds the motion.

The budget passed unanimous back to January 1, 2019

Motion to let Liz decide on when regular hours start for VIC. Tony seconds Motion and passed unanimous.

BB Chamber has several good applicants for Events Coordinator.

Billy makes a motion to hire an Events Coordinator. Tony seconds motion. Motion needs to be amended for an Events Coordinator. Tony seconds motion. Liz wants a creative Events/Volunteer Coordinator. Liz has an idea to do her job. Billy would like Liz to have leeway to hire the Event Coordinator and Volunteer Coordinator. Starts \$14 and 20 hours to start and 60 days up to \$15/ up to 30 hours a week and maybe more later. There will be some weekends and week before events maybe 30 hours those weeks. No overtime. No benefits and no overtime for seasonal work. Motion was carried unanimously.

Old Business: Dori is sending all info. to the IRS to regain our non profit status.

Chamber to support clean up BB. BB Chamber will contribute \$8 for each basket of flowers from Van Wingerdon. Bee Ball is organizing BB cleanup.

Billy Brown motions to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 PM. Tony 2nd the motion and it was carried unanimously.

Secretary,
Yvonne Lindquist