

**Birch Bay Chamber of Commerce Board Meeting**  
**Monday, September 10<sup>th</sup> @ 5:30pm via Zoom**  
Vanessa Calls to order @ 5:30 pm

**Roll Call:**

*Present:*

- Vanessa Bell - President
- Billy Brown - Director
- Danielle Gaughen - Event Coordinator
- Liz Thornton - Executive Director.
- Doralee – Treasurer & Secretary & Director.

*Absent:* Dave Brewin - Director

**Public Comment:** (3 Minutes) NONE

**Approve Minutes**

- Approve August Minutes – Vanessa motioned to pass, Doralee 2<sup>nd</sup> – All in favor. No discussion, no changes.

**Finance Report: (Liz) July Reports Attached**

- Banner Bank Balance \$7548.93 (after payroll)
- LTAC Balance Est. \$60,000.00
  - Doralee asked when we would discuss what we would spend \$ on.
- Meeting with Dori Friday 09/22/20
  - She is on vacation until the 21<sup>st</sup>. Doralee & Liz will meet with Dori on the 22<sup>nd</sup>.
- Liz had sent out July's reports already but can resend if anyone still needs.

**Member of the Month:**

- September: The Beach Bar
- October: **Granite Construction** – Danielle will write up a Blurb for the Newsletter.

**New/On Going Business:**

**Executive Report:**

- LTAC Grant application – Application process delayed (Liz in communication with County, might be appointed position on Board – Guy would suggest Liz be appointed. Guy will not be sitting on the board as BHam Chamber will no longer be a recipient of the funds.)
  - Thinks we will hear from them in the next week or so! It is already September
  - Guy said it is ok for Liz to sit on both Ltac & Btac.
- Liz predictions that 2021 LTAC Funds to us will be about \$80,0000.00, cut by about 20K
- Liz anticipates that they may eliminate the application process for some of the events that have been recipients in the past.
- **Billy suggested Liz put together a resume for the LTAC Board**
- Next Chamber Chat: September 17<sup>th</sup>
- Coffee with Contractors: September 24<sup>th</sup> Via ZOOM
  - (Liz has notified Rolland and Granite - Gairrett Orelup is our New Contact)
  - Luke now working on the I5 project.

### **New Memberships:**

- Granite Construction \$500
- Beach Cat Brewery

### **Sponsorship for movies:**

- Granite Construction \$500
- Comcast \$400 per movie – will not be helping with the FOBBL movie.
- WECU would like to sponsor Polar Bear Plunge
  - Billy said that he would also like to sponsor something for the Polar Bear Plunge

### **Drive-In Movies:**

- Saturday 9/19/20 Library Fundraiser (Danielle will only be helping with parking)
- September 25<sup>th</sup> Back to School night \$10 per car (w/ a student)
  - We have a good reach to hit all the Whatcom County Districts – Vanessa complemented how good our Facebook presence is right now.
- Need to purchase our own movie equipment \$5,000.00
  - To save us \$\$ and so we can do this every summer.
  - Board & Liz & Danielle to plan a lunch date next week to discuss. (Thursday?)
    - Shores or Billy's House?

### **Re Cap Labor Day Events:**

- Golf Cart Poker Run re-cap
  - Went well!
  - Everyone had so much fun! Doralee had a GREAT time at the C-Shop station! Vanessa loved driving Jeff's golf cart.
- Billy Brown Crab Derby re-cap
  - Very successful! Had about 25 entries, several people showed up for the prize ceremony at the end. Billy & Ted had a great time.
  - 1<sup>st</sup> people that came, brought in the biggest catches!
  - Billy had a crab the night before that was over 2lbs!!! He ate it.

### **Other:**

- C-Shop now closed to all orders. Patrick also had a great time at the Poker Run.
- Berm Construction starts this week, they will be working behind the VIC
- AGM Virtual Event: Need to make this a fundraiser
  - Doralee feels that ZOOM AGM's leaves a lot to be desired & very difficult to vote.
  - Billy suggested we wait for the AGM for November.
    - Prior, we should get the info out to vote for the director change from 9 to 5.
    - Thinks we will have the support but wants to make sure we get it out there, and make sure that we do it right.
    - New Board member: Jake (Beach Cat Brewery) interested in being on the board.
    - Liz will get the info over to Billy next week and he will put together the options.
  - Liz still brainstorming how we can do this we would like to have a sponsor (Philips 66?)
- National Night out: Safety Parade/Drive through event?
  - Needs to set a date – Monday – Thursday 11am good – Vanessa wants to help.

- Safety parade to travel through all the Birch Bay Neighborhoods.
  - We cannot have an event with hotdogs, masks or wandering around.
- Beach Cat Brewery Ribbon Cutting: Changed to September 21<sup>st</sup> @ 2pm

**October Event Ideas:**

- Vanessa – Virtual Halloween Wars – Photos submitted to our website, make a map and people can travel around to see them. This would be a good coordinated event with the other thing Danielle has been working on with Marcella in Ferndale.
- **Trip-or-Treat**
  - 6 or 7 different locations throughout the county.
  - Pre-bagged Candy handed through the window with a grabber.

Billy motioned to adjourn Meeting 6:06pm  
Next Board Meeting October 8<sup>th</sup> @ 5:30pm

Respectfully submitted:

Doralee Booth  
Secretary