



Birch Bay Chamber of Commerce  
**Board Meeting Minutes**  
JUNE 10<sup>th</sup>, 2021 – 11AM



**CALL TO ORDER:** Vanessa Bell June 10<sup>th</sup> @ 11:05 AM

- *Roll Call:* Vanessa Bell, President; Tonya Wahl, Treasurer; Doralee Booth, Secretary; Danielle Gaughen, Executive Director; Sacha Sanguinetti, Event Coordinator; Derek Jones, Neighborhood Deputy; Jake Gobble, Dave Brewin.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Derek Jones – Starting to plan for 4<sup>th</sup> of July.

**APPROVAL OF MAY MINUTES:** Vanessa Motioned, Tonya Second – All in favor

**JUNE MEMBER OF THE MONTH:** PACIFIC BUILDING CENTER

**JULY MEMBER OF THE MONTH:** Tonya suggested Billy Brown – Realtor; Vanessa Motioned, Doralee seconded. All in Favor.

**FINANCIAL REPORT: TONYA WAHL TREASURER**

- BANNER BANK BALANCE AS OF 6/4/21: **\$45,224.44** BALANCE PETTY CASH: **\$144.15**
- 2021 LTAC BALANCE: \$60,648.07
  - MAY Reimbursement of 9,764.68 was sent on June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021 – Should get next week.
- April Reimbursement of \$8776.65 was received & Deposited
- \$1,500 Technology Grant was received & Deposited.

Doralee motioned to approve – Vanessa seconded. All in favor, no discussion.

**EXECUTIVE REPORT – DANIELLE GAUGHEN**

- New Members: Boarderview Lawn Care, Patricia Hartung & Holly Witte
- Total Members 140 Now – Includes US Bank Blaine, who has signed up, but not yet paid.
- Delinquent Members – 28 have all been re-invoiced & emailed.
- AWB Chamber Relief Grant Award – \$5,946 Already deposited!
  - Possibly more relief funds coming.
- 2022 LTAC Request sent to the County on 6/4/2021 – Asked for \$110,000 for 2022.
  - Will let us know when the Public Meeting will be.
- Added an “Our members are hiring” section to the BUZZ & Added to the Website.

**EVENTS REPORT – SACHA SANGUINETTI**

- Podcast: 1<sup>st</sup> Episode has 53 Downloads 63 Listeners so far.
  - Interviews lined up for July BuzzPod.
    - Jason Van der Veen & Derek Jones
- 2020 Summer Events Update
  - Kite Day – Next Week! Kites are arriving, volunteers are signing up, event has been mapped out.
  - Sand Sculpture/Rollback
  - Discover Birch Bay Days – Needs planning mtg.
  - Poker Runs – Needs Planning mtg.
- Movie Update – Screen is here, AM/FM transmitter is here & waiting for projector which is in transit.
  - Tonya to bring a Blue Ray Player for us to use.
  - BBCC is running concessions now. Event trailer will be utilized for the events.
    - Iain possibly ordering concessions & we will sell.
    - Possibly passing it on to FOBBL – Tonya wanted to board to vote on that.
  - Meridian Towing will be moving trailers.
  - Prizes at each movie – Passes to the waterslides & a year end drawing.
- Doralee – Talked with Iain – Paid Membership. Kite order from 2019 was paid, it just wasn’t recorded properly by our previous Director.

*All proceedings are recorded*



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- Movie Reel Sponsorship – Sacha & Danielle sold \$100, \$125 & \$200 options. BBWARM got \$50.
  - Platinum & Gold Sponsors already included.
- Sand Sculpture Meeting – Following this meeting
  - Beach Park not Available, Working on getting a hold of Mick with Sea Links.
  - Jim Karcher (Whatcom County) Could park cars along the berm, just need to provide the same amount of parking.
    - Vanessa & Tonya worried about people walking on the plantings on the Berm & other issues that could arise.
    - Need Volunteers & Flaggers.
- Poker Run – Planning meeting with Vanessa (Mondays & Tuesdays)
- Discover Days – Planning meeting with Jake (Wednesdays or Thursdays)
- Volunteer Update – Sacha sent out email & are getting responses. Working on Volunteer T-shirts (about 40)
- Discussion with board regarding volunteers to help staff Visitor Center.
  - Keeping the Visitor Center Open – we are open more than most of the other Chambers.

**COUNTY LIAISON REPORT – DORALEE BOOTH**

**OTHER:**

- We need to move the Connex (AKA Stow-it) – Iain would like it moved by their opening June 30<sup>th</sup>.
  - Vanessa will look into this following this meeting. Possibly a storage unit.
  - Storage units usually run about \$180. Currently pay \$53ish.
- Tonya said she would reach out to Chris Troutman. Getting a quote on a new sign. Post is still there. Tonya will have more information soon.
- Sign on Drayton Harbor Rd.– Dave will go check on that.
- Potential Eagle Scout Project – Sacha
  - Board didn't have any ideas at this time, except "Welcome to Birch Bay Sign".
- Tonya – Blaine Youth Sports. She is now a treasurer for them.
  - On the Website & in the Podcast.
  - **Tonya motioned for complementary membership for remainder of 2021 – Vanessa Seconded. All in favor.**
    - Board agreed to revisit Complementary Membership in 2022.
- Tonya – Asked for in-person board meeting in July 8<sup>th</sup> @ 11 am.
  - Vanessa & Tonya want to be in person. Doralee ok with in-person. Dave via ZOOM.
  - Will get back room cleaned up.

**UPCOMING MEETINGS:**

- **Chamber Chat:** June 17<sup>th</sup>, 2021 – TIME 2:00 PM **Featured Speaker** – Jason van der Veen – NWFR
  - **Looking into in person luncheon in July.**
- **Berm Community Conversation:** June 24<sup>th</sup>, 2021 – TIME: 1:00 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Doralee Booth, Secretary  
(draft by DG)