



Birch Bay Chamber of Commerce
Board Meeting Minutes
JULY 13th, 2021 – 11AM



CALL TO ORDER: Danielle Gaughen – Executive Director

Roll Call PRESENT: Danielle Gaughen, Executive Director; Doralee Booth, Secretary; Sacha Sanguinetti, Event Coordinator; Dave Brewin, VP; Jake Gobille, Director (left 11 minutes before end of meeting due to previous commitment); Derek Jones, Neighborhood Deputy.

GUESTS: Katherine Hershey & Brian Hershey

ABSENT: Vanessa Bell, President & Tonya Wahl, Treasurer

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Katherine & Brian Hirschy – Regarding the Berm, feel that the berm should be reserved for pedestrians only. See a danger issue with bikes, scooters & pedestrians sharing the same path. Will fill out the form for the commenting.

Danielle: Berm Task Force Meeting June 29th @ 6:30pm.

Derek Jones – Fourth of July went well, 16 deputies here in the Bay & helped out in the State Park. Mostly everyone was respectful with the exceptions of a couple. New laws go into effect July 25th and will have more info later on. Will be very busy in August, might not be as involved in the community as much as he wants.

APPROVAL OF JUNE MINUTES: Dave Motioned to Approve – Doralee -Second. All in favor & no discussion.

JULY MEMBER OF THE MONTH: Billy Brown – Realtor – Sacha did additional episode of BUZZPOD featuring Billy.

AUGUST MEMBER OF THE MONTH: Bay Center Market – Dave Motioned & Doralee Second. All in Favor.

FINANCIAL REPORT: TONYA WAHL TREASURER – Not present.

DG met with Dory July 1st: AS OF June 30, 2021

- BANNER BANK BALANCE: **\$49,744.53** BALANCE PETTY CASH: **\$2,353.74**
- 2021 LTAC BALANCE: **\$45,152.86**
- May Reimbursement of \$9,764.68 was received & deposited
 - JUNE Reimbursement of \$15,495.21 was sent on July 1st, 2021
 - Much higher due to summer porta-potties.
 - Also included new insurance for 2021 through June 2022 payment.
 - July reimbursement will be sent August 1st, 2021
- Board voted to wait on approving June financials until next meeting and everyone is present.

EXECUTIVE REPORT – DANELLE GAUGHEN

- 2022 LTAC Funding Mtg. with County August 4th, 2021 @ 1pm – VIA ZOOM
 - Board members welcome to attend. Doralee has attended in the past.
 - Sometimes there is opportunity to talk, sometimes not. **DG will send out link.**
- New Members: Yes! Birch Bay Libraries – Also a Platinum Sponsor. Blaine Youth Sports. Big Bites – Food Vendor. Burrito King – Food Vendor. Lions Camp Horizon – Tonya & Billy generously helped with their membership fee.
- Total Members: 145 Members
- Delinquent Members 25 – haven't had time this last month to reach out & work on that when we have a little more time.

EVENTS REPORT – SACHA SANGUINETTI

- BuzzPod – 2 full episodes out + one bonus episode featuring Billy Brown.
- Kite Day – Very successful! Lots of positive feedback, loved the story times. We estimate between 500 & 700 people.
- Movie Recap/Update – Going well, moving the trailer is difficult. Meeting with BBBPRD2 tonight. New popcorn machine is so great!

All proceedings are recorded



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- 1st Poker Run was successful! 44 teams about 116 participants, 10 – 14 teams signed up the day of.
- This weekend at BeachCat Brewing Co. – Christmas in July event on Sunday.
- Sand Sculpture/Rollback coming up! Posters distributed, dash plaques are here, t-shirts will be ready, surfboard trophies are on order and will be here 10 for car show, 3 for poker run, 7 for sand sculpture.
 - Doralee working on judges (needs about 4 -8) – great fun way to get involved.
 - Do have authorization from Mick from Sea Links for the parking.
- Discover Birch Bay Days – Needs planning mtg.

COUNTY LIASON REPORT – DORALEE BOOTH

- 4th of July Recap – Somehow cleanup crew didn't get the note to come to Birch Bay on the 6th. The drivers took it upon themselves to make it here and assist with the cleanup.
- Garbage left overnight from Fourth of July accumulates extra household garbage.
- Filled 2 full dumpsters & a little bit of the third – guessing over 4 tons – Doralee will have the number at the next meeting.
- Thanks to: BBWARM, Whatcom County Conservation District, Whatcom Parks Department, Whatcom Public Works, Watershed Watchers, Health Dept., SSC & Serrifs Crew & amazing volunteers.

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

- **Chamber Luncheon:** In Person at The Beach July 15, 2021 @ 11:30 AM **Featured Speaker** – Jason van der Veen – NWFR Chief
- **Berm Community Conversation:** July 29, 2021 @ 6:30 PM VIA ZOOM Bike/ Ped Co-Chairs not available.
- **Next Board Meeting:** August 12, 2021 @ 11 AM – Virtual option or in person.

Respectfully submitted:

Doralee Booth, Secretary
(draft minutes -thank you- DG)