

Belle Plaine Chamber of Commerce

Wednesday, June 2, 2021

12:00 PM

David's Diner

Belle Plaine

Minutes

**Attendance:** Allison Everhart, Bill Berry Ron Pomeroy, Lonnie Steibens, Cindy Lawrey, David Heater, Teresa Heater, Tina Friend, Michele Enochs, Deb Waggoner Annette Simpson.

**Minutes:** June 2, 2021—Bill moved and Michele seconded to approve minutes. It passed unanimously.

**Treasurer's Report:** Monies received were mostly associated with Festival, but included membership dues and tips from volunteering at Casino event. Expenditures were all associated with Festival.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

National Night Out—August 3, 2021 / 5-9 PM—Bill Berry is going to reach out about boat or dog demo. He is going to contact church groups to have booths. Annette provided a contact for a DJ. Also planning a cake or donut walk; Tina volunteered to round up donuts. Proposing to have drawings, need prizes and method to give away.

4<sup>th</sup> of July—Bub Rothgeb is providing fireworks; Boy Scouts will do games/activities for donation; allow Chamber budget of \$250 to buy prizes. Teresa moved to allow these expenditures, David seconded, passed unanimously.

Chamber Website changes—Deb Waggoner; proposed changes to GET INVOLVED page, to broaden knowledge of volunteer opportunities in community and a call to action for such. Also, to make sure organization list is up-to-date, and possibly add business directory back in to site. Page update slated to go live in June.

Wheat Festival—Wellington Chamber contacted BP and invited city government/museum/festival to do float entry. Short notice as parade is July 9, registration deadline is July 7. Teresa moved to allow \$150 to create float, Bill seconded, passed unanimously.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Lonnie suggested offering free Chamber membership to new members. Teresa suggested getting it in next city mailing. Cindy suggested posting on BP Happenings with link. Teresa also suggested that instead of flowers to new business give them first year free membership.

Cindy proposed creating new FB page, title TBD, and Chamber will be official moderator.

**Community News:** N/A

**City News:** Paving is complete, more ditch work needed. Two new hires to PD in May, but one backed out. SKT upped internet speed with minimum cost change. This is because of advanced technology and more fiber optics. There will be a change in ownership.

**School News:** Transition of new superintendent and other staff will be 1<sup>st</sup> week of July.

**Any Other News:** It was decided to have even month meetings at BPCC and order in Pizza Hut and odd month meetings at David's Diner. Michele moved Chamber not meet in July, David seconded, passed unanimously. Annette requested volunteers for Kansas Star event June 5 / 7AM-4:30PM. David asked for online access to Valley State Bank Chamber account. Michele moved to allow, Bill seconded, passed unanimously.

**Adjourn:** David moved to adjourn, Bill seconded.

**Next meeting August 4, 2021 at BPCC**