

# ***Belleville Chamber Board of Director Meeting Minutes***

7:30 AM, Tuesday June 15, 2021

## **General Business**

- 1) Rick Francois called to order the regular meeting of the Belleville Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors at 7:33am on Tuesday, June 15, 2021 @ Francois Ford conference room and virtual GoToMeeting
  - a) Rick Francois conducted roll call. The following Board members were present: Tyler Salzman, Nate Perry, Steve Haak, and Julie Gilkes. Becky Olson, Village liaison was present as well as member, Marie Barry. Missing Board members were Mark Schwoegler (excused) and Debi Buol.
- 2) Meeting Minutes from April 24, 2021 were presented. Motioned to approve by Nate Perry, second by Tyler Salzman, approved unanimously.  
Meeting Minutes from May 18, 2021 were presented. Motioned to approve by Steve Haak, second by Tyler Salzman, approved unanimously.
- 3) Financial Reports
  - a) Tyler Salzman recapped the balances in the accounts and went over the Financial Report. Membership is up which is fantastic.
  - b) Extension for 2020 tax return was approved for November filing. CPA has all the information that is needed to have our taxes completed. To be eligible for grants we need taxes done ASAP. Rick Francois will get ahold of CPA to have them completed sooner, rather than later.

## **Program Reports, Discussion & other Actionable Items**

- 4) Discussion to consolidate bank accounts with Monona Bank into two accounts, operating and scholarship. Steve Haak motioned to consolidate, second by Julie Gilkes. Further discussion was made that if it becomes an issue to have only the two accounts, we can reopen accounts. Tyler and Julie will get the accounts consolidated and check on the possible accounts with Sugar River Bank and State Bank of Cross Plains (f/k/a UB&T) still being open. Consolidation was approved unanimously.
- 5) Beautify Downtown Belleville – Flowers were donated, however no further discussion was had since Debi was not able to attend meeting and no one from the chamber attended the Village meeting.
- 6) Kaitlynn Bowers received the scholarship. Nate Perry discussed that the total scholarships presented that day was approximately \$94,000 where in the past the total has been around \$30,000.
- 7) Discussion was had about funding for a part time Executive Director and what that would look like. Do we talk with Economic Development or the Village Board or both, who do we start with?

- 8) Insurance quotes are not available yet. We should be receiving something from Town & Country as well as Schwartz Insurance. Once quotes are available it was proposed that we do electronic voting for acceptance of insurance. Motioned to approve electronic voting by Steve Haak, second by Tyler Salzman, approved unanimously.
- 9) UFO Day - Steph Myer has October 30<sup>th</sup> @ noon on the High School Band calendar for the parade. Discussion of how to proceed with the planning of UFO Day and it was agreed upon that we should have a committee. Steve, Rick, and Tyler all agreed to be on the committee and Rick will talk with Mark to see if he is willing to be on the committee as well since he has so much experience with the parade. Question was made if this should be a one-day event or multi day, it was agreed that it should be a one-day event at this time. Suggestions were made about having a speaker to discuss the history of UFO sightings. Bands have contacted Rick about possibly playing at the event. Someone will contact the Community Club about having the Beer Fest again. Becky will stop in to talk with the Senior Center to see if they would like to do the Fun Run again. If they do not want to participate in the Fun Run it was suggested that maybe the BCHIP would be willing to take that on. What permits are needed?

#### **Information and General Discussion for All Attendees**

- 1) Next meeting will be July 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 AM, in person and virtual.
- 2) Rick Francois adjourned the meeting at 8:40 AM, motioned by Nate Perry, second by Steve Haak, approved unanimously.