

WINNSBORO AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

MINUTES

BOARD MEETING

MAY 12, 2022

1. The monthly board meeting of the WACC was called to order by President Cody Rosier at 532pm. Invocation given by the President.

Directors in attendance were: Francell Burnett, Mack Jordan, Diane Robertson, Judy Peacock, David Peacock, Paula Rogers, Sharon Wetzel, Johnny Wetzel, Steven Andrews, Lee Montgomery, and Pres Cody Rosier. Absent: Amy Gearner.

2. At the request of VP Steven Andrews, the normal agenda was deferred to discuss animosities among the board members, specifically between some members and the President. Lengthy discussion followed. A vote of confidence in the President was taken. All but one voted to retain Cody as President. It was announced that the Chamber Secretary, Christina Gattis, had resigned to take another job in Winnsboro.
3. There were no Minutes of the April meeting to approve since there was not a quorum. The bank has authorized the Chamber to reproduce office keys for the directors. At this time, only Cody, Paula, Mack and Lee have keys, along with members of the Autumn Trail board.
4. Financial reports for April were given verbally by Treasurer Paula Rogers. The Chamber has \$\_\_\_\_\_ in the bank accounts. A list of bills paid was read. Diane Robinson moved to approve the report; Lee Montgomery seconded; report approved.
5. Presidents report: 1. The Chamber is now paying \$65 per month for the storage unit due to new ownership that will not donate the unit. 2. A WHS contestant needs to be chosen for the Gilmer Yamboree; Diane Robinson will take applications from the high school. 3. Congressman Lance Gooden wants to help our Chamber build alliances with other organizations in Wood County. 4. Cody and Steven are now appointed members of the Winnsboro Economic Development Council.
6. Business of the Week winners were drawn:
  1. May 16: Hornbuckles Flowers and Gifts
  2. May 23: A+Potty Rentals
  3. May 30: The Bunkhouse at Diamond T Ranch
  4. June 6: Tillinghast Agency
  5. June 13: Lake Country Windows & Construction
  6. June 20: Andrews Real Estate Team & Texas Realty
  7. June 27: Capo & Co Fine Diamonds and Jewelry

President Cody will delivery the new BOW signage to the business Sunday afternoon so it will be in place to surprise and honor the business on Monday mornings. Picture will be taken and sent to Francell for posting on FaceBook.

7. Old Business:

- a. Thank You Cards to Car Show door prize donors were signed
- b. By-Laws: Directors are to submit revisions by next week. Executive Committee will compile revisions to present at the next Board meeting.

8. New Business:

- a. Interim Office Coverage: Phone calls are forwarded to Francell's phone. Francell cannot check/see emails; that has to be done in the office.
- b. Hiring New Secretary: Salary was discussed and starting salary approved for \$12/hour. Advertising may be placed in the newspaper; posted on social media or spread by word of mouth. Application forms were discussed; form to be provided to all directors. Hours for the office would be from 9-4, and as needed for Chamber events with comp time allowed.
- c. Next Chamber Member Breakfast: to be held May 24 at First National Bank Community Room from 830-10am. Lee Montgomery to confirm. Francell will send invitation to members. Cody will speak on business fundamentals.
- d. Fourth of July Fireworks Planning: Johnny Wetzel volunteered to be the Chair for the event. Fireworks have been ordered; payment due upon delivery at the Winnsboro Fire Dept. Quitman Chamber wants to participate; request they pay half the fireworks cost. Event file reviewed to include the following: participation of 3 concessionaires—Elote Street Corn, Cowboy Kitchen and Kona Ice. Electricity needs to be turned on Friday with shut off on Tuesday. Paula Rogers has flags. Republic Services provide trash dumpsters. John Clifton has volunteered to provide karaoke entertainment. Fourth of July parade was set for 10am along Carnegie Street to minimize railroad coordination and street closings.
- e. Labor Day Car Show Chair will be Paula Rogers. Flyers being passed out.
- f. Annual Chamber Banquet will be held in December 2022.

Meeting Adjourned at 740pm.

Respectfully submitted,

LEE MONTGOMERY

BOARD SECRETARY

