

HUMBOLDT CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

May 8, 2017

President Chris Bauer called the May Chamber meeting to order in the Humboldt Library Community Room following a lunch provided by Monarch Cement Company. There were 30 members in attendance. The agenda, April's regular meeting minutes and the treasurer's report were approved.

Committee Reports:

- Biblesta – The next fundraiser for Biblesta will be a dinner on Sunday, June 4, 2017, at St. Peter's Lutheran Church from 11:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
- Tourism – Wayne Smith reported on the Kansas Sampler Festival held on May 6th and 7th. Great attendance for the sampler and gave away items from B & W Custom Truckbeds and Monarch Cement along with the brochure packets. Darrell Krone attended with Wayne and was excellent help.
- Humboldt PRIDE & Humboldt Healthy Ecosystems – No report.
- Humboldt Historical Preservation Alliance – The 160th Birthday Celebration will be on May 20th. The ad in the Humboldt Union will list all activities for the day. Lots of great activities planned for the day.
- Humboldt Historical Museum – Customer Appreciation Day will be Saturday, June 24th. Their next meeting will be May 8th.
- Dream Humboldt
 - Downtown Action Team – Westar planning the installation of electric to the square for the light poles.
 - Housing Action Team – The house on Pecan close to being completed. Carpet to be laid this week. Should be ready soon and will possibly hold an open house.
 - Business Action Team – At Humboldt High School graduation gave mailboxes to each of the graduates with their names on them. It included an invitation to come back to Humboldt.
- City of Humboldt – Elections for city council and mayor will be coming up in November. The filing date is June 1st for all interested in open positions. To date there will be 4 council positions and the position for mayor. Budget planning is coming up. Will need budgets from organizations such as Chamber, etc. City Council meeting will be tonight. Hope to approve the Proclamation of 160th Birthday. The pool is being prepared for the opening day on Memorial Day. The paving of Ninth Street is scheduled to begin in June. Hoping to be able to get Bridge Street paved too.
- Sign in the Square – Scheduled for possibly installation week of May 15th or 22nd.

Unfinished Business:

The Annual Volunteer Banquet will be June 15th at B & W Custom Truckbeds at 6:30 p.m. Chris Bauer will send out letters to all organizations for the nominations of the volunteers. Last year the meal was catered by Stacy Cakes with a cost of \$15.00 per person. Chris will contact her again for catering. The election of officers will be held that evening.

We have received the bill for the 2018 Kansas Travelers Guide to be paid.

New Business:

Beth Barlow, representative of "Bolder Humboldt" made a presentation for the development of the land on the east side of the trail head. Plans are to have restrooms, bike storage, bike repairs, RV camp and primitive camping. They have hired a landscape architect firm to develop the plan. They want to apply for a grant to help with the soft costs of the development. They need a letter from the Chamber in support of the plan. Tony Thompson moved to have Chamber President, Chris Bauer, draft the letter of support. Loren Korte seconded. Motion passed. It will need to be completed by the end of the week.

Announcements:

The Lions Club Fishing Derby will be held May 20th at 8:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. at the Humboldt Golf course ponds. Children must be 3 years old up to 7th grade.

A Golf Tournament for Marsha Gean will be held May 20th at the Humboldt Golf Course.

Lutheran Church Ice Cream Social will be July 3rd at 7 p.m. Free will donation will be taken to support ACARF.

Tony Thompson, Allen County Hospital, thanked everyone for supporting the Humboldt clinic. He announced that Dr. Terry Schwab, Orthopedic Specialist, had opened an office at the hospital.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

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