
Anthony Chamber of Commerce

Board of Directors Minutes

December 6, 2007

A regular meeting of the Anthony Chamber of Commerce was held on December 6, 2007 at Smokehouse Café & Grill. Directors present were J. D. Hays, Karen Younce, Diana Schmidt, Mary Hixson, Bryant Anderson, Diana Busby, Vicky Knapic, Ron Poor, and Gwen Warner. Directors absent were Sherrie Eaton, Lori Allen and Mary Thomas.

President J. D. Hays called the meeting to order at 12:03 p.m. A motion was made by Diana Schmidt, seconded by Mary Hixson, to approve the November 15, 2007 minutes as printed. Motion Carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- **Christmas Home Bus Tour** – A motion was made by Diana Busby, seconded by Mary Hixson not to have the Christmas Home Bus Tour due to lack of time this year. Motion Carried.
- **10th Annual Christmas Parade** – All went well with the Santa parade with the exception of our local Shriners who were not present and this caused some disappointment. There was a large crowd of children at the Anthony Municipal Hall to greet Santa and receive a bag of candy from the Anthony Lions Club.
- **Christmas Arts & Crafts Show** – Setup for the Christmas Arts & Crafts Show will take place this year at 3:30 p.m. instead of 10:30 a.m. The show is full this year upstairs and downstairs as well as full on the stage and in the lobby.
- **Municipal Hall Committee Report** – J.D. Hays reported that the deadline for tickets for the *Ball in the Hall* is tomorrow. A little over 200 tickets have been sold for the event. Decorating will take place on December 14th.

OLD BUSINESS

- 1) **Memorial Park Vandalism** – Gwen reported on the vandalism to the Christmas decorations in Memorial Park. Several items were stolen with two being recovered. The water hydrants were turned on and the park flooded. The damage took place sometime after the Christmas parade. The adult vandals have been dealt with.
- 2) **Christmas Home Decorating Contest** - Gwen reported that registrations for the home decorating contest have been e-mailed to all members with e-mail and all voting entries will also be e-mailed to all members. Any business needing to have copies delivered to them need to just call the Chamber office. Ballots will be available at downtown businesses as well as the city building and the Chamber.
- 3) **Annual Meeting Date** –. Discussion was held on time and date of this year's annual meeting. Decision was made to have a noon meeting with the date to be set after the Annual Meeting Committee meets.

NEW BUSINESS

- ◆ **Approve New Members** – A motion was made by Karen Younce, seconded by Bryant Anderson to approve Thrift Shop of Anthony (Peggy Gates) and K Forell & Associates, PLLC (Kelly M. Forell) as new members. Motion Carried.
- ◆ **Review November Financial** –. The board reviewed the November Financial.
- ◆ **Anthony Bucks** – Businesses purchasing Anthony Bucks were; Anthony Ministerial Association \$6,630, Kanza Bank \$1,125, City of Anthony \$1,525, Anthony Public Library \$350, Anthony Medical Center \$4,705, Jeannie Cooperrider \$400 and Anthony Community Care Center \$3,685, Harper County Economic Development Council \$100, Country Living \$550, Peggy Schmidt \$1,500, Brad Sherman \$280, Sue Poor \$200 and Strong's Insurance \$20.
- ◆ **Committees** – Each board member was reminded to consider what committee(s) they would like to serve on.
- ◆ **Aging Projects Inc. (Friendship Meals)** – A letter was received from Friendship Meals informing businesses of the latest effort to raise funds to help with the continuation of senior meals. All businesses should have received a letter and donations are accepted at any time.

OTHER BUSINESS

- Bryant Anderson, Anthony Medical Center CEO presented the \$25,000 Challenge from the Anthony Hospital Foundation. The hospital will contribute a total of \$25,000 to match all contributions received from individuals and businesses that goes towards the remodeling project. Larger doors will replace the 23" doors and the sinks will be removed from the bathrooms and placed in the rooms to provide the additional space that is needed. The bathrooms will also receive new toilets. The patient rooms will receive lowered ceilings with new lighting and fresh wall and floor coverings. Bryant said he appreciated this show of support by the Foundation for the Anthony Medical Center.

Meeting adjourned a 12:55 p.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Gwen Warner, Executive Director

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Christmas Arts & Crafts Show & Cookbook Tasting is December 8, 2007.
- Next chamber meeting is December 20, 2007 at the Smokehouse Café & Supper Club if needed or January 3, 2008.