
Anthony Chamber of Commerce

Board of Directors Minutes

February 18, 2009

A regular meeting of the Anthony Chamber of Commerce was held on February 18, 2009, at Smokehouse Café & Grill. Board of Directors present was Bryant Anderson, Karen Younce, Mary Hixson, Judy Brummer, Lori Allen, Ron Poor and Gwen Warner. Absent were J.D. Hays, Vicky Knapic and Tim Gates. Also present was Jean Barber.

President Bryant Anderson called the meeting to order at 12:15 p.m. A motion was made by Mary Hixson, seconded by Judy Brummer to approve the February 4, 2009, minutes as printed. Motion Carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- **Retail Report** – Karen Younce reported that she would be co-chairing the Retail Committee along with Sheila Adams and Amy Wells. Karen will chair the meeting and Sheila and Amy will come up with the ideas for the committee. Karen asked if this met with Bryant's approval since it was a slight change from his previous appointment. Yes, it met with his approval. A copy of the last retail minutes was presented to the board.
- **Sunflower Balloon Fest** – Jean Barber reported that a balloon fest meeting was held in February and the committee is still trying to secure the Asphalt Cowboys (Motorcycle Show). Plans include having Wil LaPointe as balloon meister again this year, the Phantom F-4 Jet Fighter, the Balloon Fest Parade (the Shriners have responded already and will be here), free Inflatables for the kids, design has been approved, shirts have been ordered (ordering less this year), and the coloring contest.
- **Harper County 4th of July** – Mary Hixson reported that the committee has decided not to have three of the activities that we usually have. The fishing contest, open mike and horseshoe contest will be discontinued. The inflatables were very popular with the kids and they have been reserved, kids water games, sand volleyball, more entertainment, design for buttons has been approved and more prizes will be given. Mary had several suggestions for the board.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- **President's Homework Assignment** – President Anderson presented some goal samples for the board to get everyone to start thinking. Bryant appointed Karen Younce, Vicky Knapic, Gwen Warner and himself (Bryant Anderson) to a sub committee for recommendations by next meeting. Bryant recommended that we find out by the survey process, very quickly what the Chamber members would say was important to them. Once we get a plan of action, then we will have something to work with.
- **Legislative Affairs** – Gwen reported that Major Weiss had inquired about the Chamber getting involved with the City Commission Candidates Forum. Gwen referred him to Ron Poor, our Legislative Affairs Chairman. Ron declined involvement due to the fact that they already had all the details worked out and probably really didn't need our help. He suggested that Gwen could e-mail out the flyer to Chamber Members if that would help. Ron said that he had visited with Sid Burkholder about participating in a legislative forum on the state level and Sid told him that they already had one planned in Norwich. Ron told

him that the Chamber would be happy to assist with one but would help when it was held in Anthony.

NEW BUSINESS

- 1) There was no new business to come before the board.

Other Business:

Motion was made by Karen Younce, seconded by Lori Allen to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 12:59 P.M.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Gwen Warner, Executive Director.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ❑ Night of the Mardi Gras is February 21 at the Anthony Municipal Hall
- ❑ Next Board Meeting is March 4, 2009 at the Smokehouse Café & Supper Club
- ❑ The next Retail Meeting is scheduled for March 17, 2009 at 8:30 a.m. at the Chamber office.
- ❑ Sunflowersm Balloon Fest is May 8-9-10