

**REMER AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES
March 8, 2016**

OFFICERS PRESENT: Scott Kesti, Shane Dugan, Alicia Burgers and Kim Archer

MEMBERS PRESENT: Dan Russell, Sherri Logan, Kaara Nilsson, Pat O'Neil, Su Ugstad, Marc Ruyak and Bob Stoeckel

- Meeting called to order at 5:00 pm by President, Scott Kesti
- Additions and approval of agenda
 1. Add to Old Business: Big Foot Update
- Motion to accept agenda

M/S/P S Logan/P O'Neil/Passed

- Meeting minutes from the last meeting were looked over
- Motion to accept minutes

M/S/P D Russell /P O'Neil/Passed

FINANCIAL REPORT:

- Alicia submitted the financial report
- Motion to accept the Financial Report

M/S/P S Ugstad/D Russell/Passed

LIBRARY REPORT:

- Kaara submitted the Library report
 - Easter Bunny set for Saturday March 19 there will be Games and Prizes
 - Posters are out – pass the word on Facebook and Twitter!
- Motion to accept the Library Report

M/S/P S Logan/P O'Neil/Passed

OLD BUSINESS:

- Dog Sled/Chili Cook Off Update:
 - Had 16 Chili Entrants and 13 to 16 Dog sled teams!
 - Had a great number of volunteers: Spotters, Set Up, Clean Up, Chili cook off, Bon Fire and the games! Thanks everybody!
 - Consider providing a microphone for the mushers awards next year
 - Firemen asked that the fire hall be cleaned up just a little better
 - Not every musher got Chili, just the last two teams, but there were left over hotdogs
 - There were 100 chili ballots cast – but no way to get an accurate count – any ideas?
- Direct Mail Advertiser Update:
 - We have had 12 responses
 - Scott brought a preliminary flyer to look at
 - With Color the flyer is \$369 plus postage and that reaches a lot of people
 - Kaara will be coming around to those who signed up in the next couple of weeks with a mock up – please have your \$50 at that time
 - It will be a small spot with 3 lines - she will need your information: business name, web address and/or phone # and your special/coupon/etc.
 - Text only – no pictures
 - Goal is to have them out for fishing opener
 - Calendar of events on the front and big events on the back: Harvest Festival, Blues Fest/Fall Has It All etc.
- Another Advertising Potential:
 - For \$50 we could put the calendar of events in the Community Ed Pamphlet that comes out every quarter

- Fall Music Festival Update: Saturday & Sunday September 24 & 25
 - Mill Street is the new potential site
 - Sunday would be Gospel music
 - The committee is meeting Wednesday March 16 @ 6 pm at the Pub
- Fall Has It All Update:
 - Kids Day Saturday September 17: with a Box Car Derby, American Doll Fashion Show/Tea, Fire truck(s) (possible rides)
 - Open to other ideas – carnival type day – contact Sherri Logan if you're interested in helping
 - All proceeds go to the Howard Prushek Scholarship
 - Build the Derby Track (looking for help) and have a float with the track in the Harvest Festival Parade – sell Car kits that weekend so they have time to build them
 - Deadline to get everything turned in for the Fall Has It All is May – Contact Sherri Logan if you are interested in participating in this event
- Membership Dues/Flyer Update:
 - We did have more pay their dues – contacting the last few names on the list. If you don't pay by the end of March your name comes off the website and flyer
- Bigfoot Update:
 - Saturday April 9th!
- Motion to approve pre-order t-shirts, paying half now \$1,000 and half at pickup \$1,000:

M/S/P B Stoeckel/P O'Neil/Passed

NEW BUSINESS:

- St Patrick's Day Ad:
 - Scott will have Dave DeLost get ahold of businesses this week to find out if they want to place an ad in next week's paper
- Gambling:
 - We cannot get any more than five (5) gambling permits per year
 - We will stick with what we have been doing this year
 - Looking at possibly changing it up next year
 - We can team up with the Remer Fire Department or the Northland Lions if we want to do more
- Harvest Festival Meeting Date will be sent out soon – Hope you will consider being on the committee!
- Motion to Adjourn:

M/S/P S Logan/B Stoeckel /Passed

**NEXT MEETING 5 pm:
April 12, 2016
At The Depot**

Submitted by:
Kim Archer
Chamber Secretary