

REMER AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
MONTHLY MEETING
MARCH 14, 2017

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

MEMBERS PRESENT: Dan Russell, Jon Karner, Carol Johnson, Marc Ruyak, Blaine Raushel, Jean Olson, Sherri Berg, Sherri Loan, Bob Stoeckel, Su Ugstad, Christine Desmond and Greg Meek

- Meeting called to order @ 5:30 pm by President Scott Kesti
- Additions and approval of agenda:
- Motion to accept agenda:

M/S/P D Russell/J Olson/Passed

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

M/S/P J Olson/D Russell/Passed

FINANCIAL REPORT:

- Alicia submitted the financial report
 - Christmas Crawl raffle brought in \$1,798
- Motion to accept the financial report

M/S/P D Russell/C Johnson/Passed

LIBRARY REPORT:

- Jean submitted the library report
 - Easter Bunny (Jon Karner) will be at the Library on Saturday, April 8th from 10 to 11 am
 - They hide 200 eggs
 - Saturday, June 17 is the Library Open House
 - They have authors for book signings
 - There will be a book sale
 - Hot Dogs, chips and cookies
 - The Pinewood Derby will be set up
- Motion to accept the library report

M/S/P D Russell/A Burgers/Passed

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Festival of the Falling Snowflakes Update:

- a. Chili feed took in \$982
- b. Had lots of volunteers – Thank you all who volunteered
- c. If you have pictures please send them to Su Ugstad to post on the Website and Facebook
- d. Marc will donate a large external storage for pictures that people send in

2. Spring Mailer Update:

- a. Jon Karner has agreed to be the coordinator for this project
- b. May 1st is the deadline to get your ad in with payment
- c. The cost is \$50 for members
- d. It will be the same as last year – You can have a coupon or special or just store hours, etc
- e. It will be going out for fishing opener, May 13th

3. Welcome Wagon Update: Is a success!

- a. Five Baskets have been given out already!
- b. The baskets were beautiful – Thanks Mary Daugherty – well stuffed and well received!
- c. We do need more baskets – if anyone finds medium to large baskets (stop by Lake Realty to see what was already used) You will be reimbursed by the Chamber
- d. Marc said real estate is selling and would like to keep 6 baskets on hand – 5 more are needed

- e. If you want to donate again – please drop off your donation at Thunder Lake Realty the “Basket Base”

4. Community Garden Update:

- a. Everything is going well – not too many people showed up for the meeting at the school
- b. Applying for grants

5. St Patrick’s Day Ad Update:

- a. People signed up and forgot to pay – so the ad was smaller than anticipated
- b. We are going to run another ad for Easter
- c. Do Members want to be emailed when it is time for ads or anything? Would you rather get a text, phone call or have someone stop by?

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Bigfoot Days Raffle – what to raffle:

- a. 1st prize: \$500 2nd prize: \$300 Yeti cooler and 3rd prize: a silhouette of bigfoot
- b. \$2.00 tickets – starting with 1,000 tickets
- c. Abe the Bigfoot Researcher will be here

2. Harvest Festival Fireworks:

- a. The school is a construction zone and we either have to skip or find a new venue
- b. Has to be so far away from either gas station or the mill
- c. We want them seen from town
 - i. Airport - Marc will talk to Shem, the Airport Commissioner
 - ii. Shooting Range
 - iii. Mill Street

3. Harvest Festival:

- a. Business Member of the Year:
 - i. Marc Ruyak
- b. Grand Marshall:
 - i. Don & Lori Stefan and Denny & Nancy Stefan
- c. Theme:
 - i. 70 Years Anniversary is either Iron or Platinum
 - ii. 1947
- d. Marc suggested the Chamber make a Bigfoot float and enter it around the area parades

4. Spring picnic/BBQ and Welcome the new members at the May 9th Chamber meeting:

- a. The Chamber will provide the brats
- b. Everyone if you can bring a dish to share and your favorite beverage
- c. The Pine Box Derby will be set up for racing

5. Pine Box Derby Cars:

- a. You can order and make a new car
- b. Call Sherri Logan if you want another car

Motion to accept new business:

M/S/P M Ruyak/J Olson/Passed

NEXT MEETING 5 PM

April 11, 2017

AT THE DEPOT

Submitted By:
Kim Archer
Chamber Secretary