REMER AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

MONTHLY MEETING March 13, 2018

OFFICERS PRESENT: Denise Green, Shane Dugan, Alicia Burgers and Kim Archer

MEMBERS PRESENT: Dan Russell, Jodi Phlepsen, Jon Karner, Sherri Berg, Scott Kesti, Jean

Olson, Blaine Raushel, Willie Huotari, Karen O'Neil, Bob Stoeckel, Erika Ellingboe

GUESTS: Alice & Justin Wiese

- Meeting called to order @ 5:15 pm by President Denise Green
- Additions and approval of agenda:
- Motion to accept agenda:

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

- Meeting minutes from the last meeting were looked over
 - One change in the February Minutes: It was not the January Financial Report that was amended; but the December Financial report
- Motion to accept minutes as amended

M/S/P D Russell/W Huotari/Passed

FINANCIAL REPORT:

- Alicia submitted the financial report
 - Skip will be at the April meeting to give an update on the Pavilion
- Motion to accept the financial report

M/S/P D Russell/S Kesti/Passed

LIBRARY REPORT:

- Jean submitted the library report
 - Lake Country Power gave a donation of \$1,250 for large print and audio book

OLD BUSINESS:

- 1. Adopt A Highway update:
 - a. Blaine reported we cannot put "Home of Bigfoot" on the sign
 - b. Remer Area Chamber of Commerce
 - c. The sign goes up 8 to 10 weeks once we commit
 - d. We will be sending out an email with a meeting point and date for the first ditch pick!
- 2. St. Patrick's Day update:
 - a. Denise reported that there are only 5 ads this year
 - b. The paper did not send a proof to Denise to approve
 - c. Please pay Alicia your \$20 for the ad if you have not already
- 3. Easter Bunny at the Library update:
 - a. Jean Olson reported that Deb Engen has 600 eggs they are ready to go on the 24th
- 4. Harvest Festival Update:
 - a. First meeting tonight after the Chamber meeting
 - b. Karen is continuing as the parade coordinator
 - i. She would like to keep the same line up route as last year
 - c. Gambling permits have been submitted to the city
 - d. No theme yet
- 5. 2018 Spring Mailer Update:
 - a. Jon sent an email to members today with the information and last year's ad
 - b. There is a deadline please if you want to participate again this year contact Jon
 - c. Add the dog sled races to the calendar starts in May and then goes to February
 - d. It is already half full

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1. Eggsplosion Harvest Church 3rd Annual Community Event:
 - a. Sent a letter asking for a donation to help out

- b. The Chamber is also a non-profit organization and cannot donate to another non-profit
- It was suggested that the Library and Church get together and have one event each year instead of two – Jean is all for it – we will contact the Church and get the two parties together
- 2. Fire Hall Proposals:
 - a. Some of the Chamber members went to the City Meeting to hear what was going on with the fire hall bids there are two Gary Passard and Scott Kesti
 - b. There were not enough board members to go any farther then just hearing the two bids
 - c. The next meeting will be Tuesday, March 27th at 4:30 to discuss and vote
 - d. Anyone can attend if you are interested
 - e. The Chamber only uses the fire hall 3 times a year: Bigfoot Days, Harvest Festival and the Chili Cook Off/Dog Sled Races
- 3. Chamber Meeting Time Change Proposal:
 - a. Denise suggested that we consider changing the time of the monthly meetings
 - b. The City meets the same time as we do and sometimes there is a conflict
 - c. Cribbage is at 7 pm during the winter and we have a few Chamber members that play

These are some of the suggestions – we are looking for any feedback from members:

7:30 am breakfast meeting

Lunch meeting

5:30 pm

6:00 pm

Or push the meeting back 30 minutes to 5:30 only if something comes up at the City meeting that the Chamber needs to attend

- 4. Bigfoot Days July 6 & 7:
 - a. Marc sent out an email with the information for online registering for the 5k race
 - b. Flea Market
 - c. BBQ Contest
 - d. 3 Food vendors last year more this year?
 - e. Kids Games
 - f. Face Painting
 - g. Calling Contest
 - h. Bingo

Mark will have an update at the April meeting

Motion to accept new business:

M/S/P B Stoeckel/J Karner/Passed

Motion to adjourn

M/S/P J Olson/A Burgers/Passed

NEXT MEETING 5 PM April 10, 2018 AT THE DEPOT

Submitted By: Kim Archer Chamber Secretary