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**Stockton Chamber of Commerce Meeting Minutes**

**May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2023 – Meeting @ 5:30 PM via Zoom or at Citizens State Bank Boardroom**

**Call to Order**

Time: 5:32 PM

**Attendees:** Sam VenHuizen, Cynthia Peterson, Tina Ertmer, Brooke VenHuizen, Peggy Tully, Rose Linder, Ashley Chambers, Tamara Graham, and Alyssa Meade

**Secretary Report & Minutes**

Motion Made: Rose      Seconded By: Peggy      Vote - **Passed**/Failed

**Treasurer’s Report**

Motion Made: Cynthia      Seconded By: Rose      Vote - **Passed**/Failed

**Open Forum/Guest Speaker**

**Minutes from Stockton Committees presented**

**Village of Stockton** – Sam will be attending upcoming meeting to discuss split costs of marketing manager

**Stockton Strong** – They’ll be awarding some scholarships to local applicants

**Park Board** –

**GGMI** -

**Galena Chamber** -

**Committee Reports**

**Events Committee**

- Golf Outing – Sam – Golf outing to be held on May 7<sup>th</sup> – have a good turnout of golfers again, and the silent auction donations are starting to come in. Much appreciated. We will have local chamber members and community volunteers on the day of.
- Fall Into Stockton – Kim - Need more volunteers.
- Christmas Walk – Leader TBD
- 5k – Alyssa – have 77 racers currently signed up. Storefront apparel has no sales yet; would like to find ways to spread the word.

**Networking Committee**

- Lunch & Learn/Business After Hours
  - Pit Stop ribbon cutting went well and appears the community is supporting them, which is great to see.
  - Someone reached out and we may have a new chamber member joining, and if so – we could do a ribbon cutting.

**Marketing/Media Committee**

- Website Updates – Alyssa will send in all the meeting minutes for past few months. Also will update member list on website shortly.
- Newsletter – Alyssa
- Bauer Calendar - Tina



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#### **Landmark Committee**

- Upkeep for summer months at all three locations
  - Need hostas for the sign.
  - Board decided we will wait a little bit until school construction is completed, prior to adding plants.

#### **Youth Retention Committee - Sam/Alyssa**

- Fiber – Sam
- In need of any new ideas? Dueling Pianos event could be added as an initiative. We should hear back on the grant we applied for within the next month or so.

#### **Old Business**

- Move some of our savings and CD funds in a new CD at the current higher rates – approved at April meeting; Sam and Tina will finish that process in May
- New photographer to be at Chamber events – Cynthia checking with business partner to be our lead photographer for events
  - In-kind membership to be exchanged for services. We will have contract written up and signed. Photographer will be onsite for May golf outing event.
- Follow-up on current membership list – follow-ups took place in April – appreciate everyone’s help as we had additional members sign up.
- Grant opportunity and potential new music/dueling pianos event – application finalized in April; waiting for Foundation’s feedback
- Storage shed cleanup day scheduled for 4:00 PM on May 19<sup>th</sup>

#### **New Business**

- New advertising opportunity with The Scoop newspaper – we will write up a short paragraph each month, if anyone has items that we should highlight.
- Lending stage to Steve Magee in June and August – Coaches in turn is donating drink tokens for the golf outing
- Filing 990N tax return – Tina will be reviewing
- Vote on Stockton HS scholarship applications – Approval of 2 scholarships. Sam will reach out to Mrs. Malone
  - Peggy moved to split the scholarship between Parker Luke & Dustin Oppold, seconded by Rose. Passed.
- EV charger grant opportunity – more to come on this.

**Adjournment Time:** 6:30 PM

Motion Made: Tamara                      Seconded By: Rose                      Vote - **Passed/Failed**

**Next Meeting: June 6<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 PM via Zoom or at Citizens State Bank HWY 20 Location Boardroom**