

## Collingsworth County Chamber of Commerce - August 14, 2023

Karen Caldwell called meeting to order at 5:10 pm on August 14th in the Museum.

Members present: Karen Caldwell, Nancy Harris, Cathy Crist, Beth Motsenbacher, Dave Grimminger, Cliff Waller, Lisa Manuel, Rex Henard, Bev and Neal Odom, Cameron Warren, Dale Day, Rachae Barlow, Billy Wilkerson, Margret Wood, and Samantha Bohannon. Billy makes a motion to approve, Margret seconded, motion carried. Minutes approved.

Financial Report - as of bank statement \$54,106.00 this was before wild and free. Should have \$53,758.00 - she has a stack of checks from dues to deposit. \$1020 in vendor fees received. Expenses running -\$2076 running negative after the expenses. Rachae makes a motion to approve, Billy seconded, motion carried. Report approved.

### New Business

Budget Committee – executive board will meet in Sept or Oct.

CD and Money Market - Karen talked with Bonnie at WSB. Rachae is going to ask Edward Jones what percentage they can offer.

Chamber Bylaws Committee - Karen wants a committee to start this fall.

Possible Fall Concert - Brix contacted Cliff wanting to do another street concert maybe Sept 16th. Brix will pay for the expenses they just want us to help advertise and support. Lisa makes a motion to spend up to \$500, Rex seconded, all approve, motion carried.

### Old/Open Business

Membership Drive Update - Cameron said as of now we have 45 members join/rejoin.

Ellison Park Update - Collected \$900 at the big reveal. A second donation of \$1000 for a bench. All has been deposited to the Lion's Club account.

### WF83 2023 - Recap

Bad Note

Ritz - just 18 people for the movie.

Quilt Show - down from last year. 144 people this year - we need more signs next

year.

Pet Show - Andi says gets smaller every year. Maybe adults thought it was more for kids.

Maybe next year do an adult category.

Tractor Show - less than last year. 3 total this year

Car Show - 51 this year - up by 4 from last year. Bikes were ridden around and tents were blown up by the wind. No cars were damaged. This needs to be policed better.

Vendors - said they didn't do very well.

EMS - we need to make sure they are here.

Golf Cart Uber Service - take people to the quilt show, give rides to elderly

A lot of people missed events because they didn't know it was starting. We need to announce. Need a bigger break between children's events. Low attendance.

Good Note

Stick horse - did great, lets do age groups at different times.

Bike Parade - loved the new route. Maybe move bike parade to a later time, difficulty setting up while vendors arriving.

Grease pole - went well. Complaint, people didn't know what time it started. Teen boys wanted to know about it and be involved.

WAV on Friday Night - went great. Stay outside next year. 301 swimmers.

River Service - went great

Ideas for next year - water volleyball, egg toss, more teen driven activities.

Idea - people are wanting a parade

### Any Other Discussion

Texas State Fair - promote your destination in Dallas in October. Beth volunteered to man the booth for one shift. Tabled until next meeting. Funding will have to be discussed.

Christmas - no date for it yet. Usually the first weekend.

Membership Cards – need to mail out a second round.

Cliff has made a decision to resign effective tonight. Dave makes a motion to accept his resignation, Rex seconded. All in favor.

### Adjournment

Margret makes a motion to adjourn, Nancy seconded, all in motion. Adjourn at 6:45 pm.