# **Collingsworth County Chamber of Commerce**

## Monday April 11, 2022

## **Meeting Agenda**

- I. Greeting/Opening
- II. Attendance
- III. Previous Minutes
- IV. Financial Report
- V. Old/Open Business
  - a) Website
  - b) T-Mobile Ellison Park
  - c) Bill Hatch's Event Recap
- VI. New Business
  - a) WF83 Update
- VII. General Discussion
- VIII. Adjournment

<sup>\*</sup>Next Meeting May 9, 2022

### Collingsworth County Chamber Notes for 2/23/2022

# The Meeting was called to order at 5:01 p.m.

#### Those present were

Billy Wilkerson, Lisa Manuel, Beth Motsenbocker, Geney Gulley, Clint Thomas,
Eric Morton, Cliff Waller, Rhonda Colson, Darrel Colson, Nancy Harris, Bev Odom,
Cecilia Orozco

Minutes were read and a motion was made to approve them by Geney Gulley and seconded by Nancy Harris. All Approved.

The financial report for January and February was presented by Cecilia. A motion to approve was made by Rhonda and seconded by Eric. All approved.

### Old/Open Business

Website. Neal has pulled across logos and information on businesses. It is opened up at this time. It make take up to 10 days to pull up on google and other areas.

Rhonda Colson Stated that Joe Davis of KLSR in Memphis has requested events as they become available.

No updates were available for T-Mobile

Strategic Planning Committee has not had an opportunity. March was made a goal to meet. Budget Planning and officers will meet and report back.

Geney Gully will head up city wide garage sale.

Flag distribution. The next event will be in May. Further discussion will be held at the March Meeting.

#### **New Business**

Presentation to Bill Hatch. It has been requested that a Friday in March. It was decided that March 25<sup>th</sup> from 10:30-11:30 would be scheduled. Bev will contact Mr. Killough. Nancy, Cliff, and Rhonda will head up the reception for that day.

Chamber of Commerce tags. Two types of tags were presented at a cost of \$8/\$10. Neal made a motion to purchase 20 tags and Clint seconded that motion. All approved.

Kiddi Train. It will happen. Cliff and Clint are in charge.

Wild and Free on 83. The UMW Quilt show is on the event schedule as well as Jacob Weatherly heading up a Ranch Rodeo, Kent Rollins a Dutch oven demonstration. Car show as well as motor cycles, and possibly tractors.

Clint made a motion for guidance of up to \$5,000.00 for the four town group committee. Billy seconded. All approved.

Bev pointed out that Best Business is in the paper to vote on.

Cecilia made a motion to dismiss at 6:23 and Eric seconded her motion.

# COLLINGSWORTH COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE MINUTES

The Collingsworth Chamber of Commerce held its regular monthly meeting on March 14, 2022. The meeting was called to order by Karen Caldwell, President at 5 pm.

Members present were Neal Odom, Eric Morton, Bev Odom, Cliff Waller, Karen Caldwell, Billy Wilkerson, Cecilia Orozco, Rhonda Colson, Darrell Colson, Beth Motsenbocker, Nancy Harris, Clint Thomas, Margaret Wood and Geney Gulley.

Due to the birth of Lisa Manual's grandson, she was unable to be in attendance and the minutes of the last meeting were not presented. The motion to table approving minutes was made by Nancy, 2nd by Geney. Motion passed.

The financial report was given by Cecilia and motion was made by Billy, 2nd by Eric to approve report as presented. (Report attached). Motion passed.

Neal reported that the website is up and a few logos and corrections have been submitted. New additions to the website will be the opening of at least 2 new businesses. The new rehab center is just waiting final inspection and Brix (on the square) should be opening in May or June. Ribbon cuttings will be scheduled for these new businesses.

A report on the T-Mobile Ellison Park project was given and was suggested we start with getting picnic tables. Contacts have been made and more information will be provided at next meeting.

Due to unexpected circumstances the budget planning committee meeting had to be postponed. Will be rescheduled soon.

A reception for Bill Hatch will be held at the Ellis Art Center on March 25th at 10:30 a.m. Bev, Karen, Nancy, Doris Stallings & Jr. Castillo are in charge of the arrangements. There will be a meeting Tuesday, March 22 at 11 at Cowboy Coffee to finalize plans. Nancy will be in charge of refreshments, Neal will be master of ceremony, and James Poteet, 1963 WHS graduate, will say the prayer. Fred Killough, 1967 WHS graduate, will present a book, Buddy's War, to Bill. Bill is the only survivor of 15 Collingsworth County men that were in the same battalion in WWII. Jr. will present Bill with a duplicate of the original charter of the VFW. Bill is the only survivor that was part of that charter.

COC name tags have been received and will be used to help signify members on public occasions. They have been provided at the Chamber expense.

WF83 met and will be held at Powell Park this year due to the renovation of the sidewalks around the square. The art show will hopefully be held at the new Community Building and the quilt show will be at the Methodist Church. The UMW will sponsor a "build your own burger" in the fellowship hall. Friday night there will be a Ranch Rodeo and the hot

dog and swim time at the WAV. The fairgrounds has been reserved and the Ex-students will have their dance there. The time of the event will be 9 am to 2 pm with a car, bike & tractor show, vendors and pet show. The Country Club will be hosting a 9 hole scramble and corn hole tournament. There is a possibility of Kent Rollins doing a dutch oven presentation during this time. Renovation of the "train" is in progress and will be available for rides during the day.

The WF83 committee met with the 3 other towns committed to WF83. Each town will have their own weekend so everyone can enjoy all the events. Wheeler will be the 4th of July weekend, Childress will be during their Old Settlers Reunion and Shamrock between the Wheeler and Wellington events. There was a \$9000 budget for all WF83 advertising and expenses. There is a grant from GoTexas for \$5000 and each town will add \$1000 each. New banners are being designed to be used by each town.

It was discussed that in order to cause less maintenance on the train cars in the future that the tires on the cars should be replaced with solid tires. More discussion and prices will be at next meeting. It was suggested by Cecilia that a permanent PA system might be purchased and installed at the Courthouse for future events. Little League has purchased one for the baseball fields that is very helpful and not cost prohibitive. It was decided that the COC will purchase memorials for members or family members that have passed. Bev is in charge of taking care of memorials.

There being no other business, motion was made by Eric and 2nd by Billy to adjourn.

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	Date	Number	Payee	Account	Memo	Payment	C	Deposit	Balance
(	03/15/2022			INTEREST EARNED	Interest		X	0.79	50,900.17
(	03/31/2022	1428	THE RED RIVER S	ADVERTISING	ADV-LIVEST	192.00			50,708.17
(	03/31/2022	1429	VERONICA GRAY	CEREMONIES/CELE	COOKIES-HA	108.00			50,600.17
(	04/11/2022	1430	CAROL ANN'S FLO	-split-	HATCH-50.00	217.25			50,382.92