

Collingsworth County Chamber of Commerce – May 8, 2023

Karen Caldwell called meeting to order at 5:05 pm on May 8th in the Museum.

Members present: Karen Caldwell, Clint Thomas, Dave Grimminger, Nancy Harris, Ryder Bohannon, Margret Wood, Darryl and Rhonda Colson, Dale Day, Neal Odom, Billy Wilkerson, Cliff Waller, Lisa Manuel and Samantha Bohannon.

Samantha read the minutes from last meeting. Neal made a request to have minutes emailed before the next meeting each month. All agreed. Jerrod made a motion to approve, Billy and Lisa seconded, motion carried.

Karen gave financial report – Balance for April \$56,980.47. Clint made a motion to approve, Nancy seconded, report approved.

Old/Open Business

Ellison Park Project – Neal and Jon had a great conversation. They have ideas on a border around the wood chips area to keep the chips in. Next step is to present to the city council at the June meeting. Amy Inman is getting quotes to resurface the tennis courts – we are questioning if the school is responsible for the tennis courts.

City-Wide Yard Sale – Samantha needs to get with Bev about deadline for the newspaper. Flyer is ready just need to add the deadline.

Summer Concert on the Bricks – Don Sanderson or Burl will provide a trailer for a stage. Cliff said we are planning on putting the trailer on the West side of the square facing East. Cliff will get the porter potties ordered this week. Samantha is working on food trucks. The job that night will be to make sure we set up road blocks, hand a wild and free banner on the trailer, clean up a little and pick up trash. It was suggested to get a banner that says “Concert on the Bricks” flyer. Neal will work on graphics and pricing.

Courthouse Star – Liberty worked on the star last year and has ideas on improvements needed. Cliff suggests Chamber sponsor the improvements to the star. We will have to speak to Jon Sessions about this.

WF83 2023 – Karen reviewed our WF meeting with everyone. We want someone from Ex Students to be a part of the next meeting. Karen will send out a text in the near future about another meeting.

4-H Shooting Range Gift – Cliff gave an update on the shooting range. They are already working and making great progress!

Flags – Karen went over addresses and Billy will review to see what he thinks. We need to check the pole holes – some are filled with grass or rocks. Dale and Billy will go around and check them.

Travel Host Magazine – Karen, Neal and Samantha met with them April 12th. We are doing a half page ad in the summer

quarter – June, July & August. Neal has graphics for this half page.

Any Other Discussion

Calendar Coordinator – Samantha has volunteered to do this. Everyone who wants to have alerts and reminders on their calendar needs to share their gmail with Samantha. If you do not have a gmail you will need to make one.

Wellington Athletics Booster Club – Dale suggests that Chamber become a sponsor. He said the first year is \$500 and the price goes down every year. Dale said the signs hang at the football field and then are moved to the basketball gym. Neal makes a motion to do this, Lisa seconded, motion carried. Dale will find out the sign size and get with Neal so he can work on graphics.

Living History – The Colsons said they will be doing their living history and chili cook off again October 6th and 7th. They are inviting area schools and send info to Region 16 to get the word out.

Darryl Colson made a motion to adjourn, Neal seconded, meeting adjourned at 6:10 pm.