Chamber of Commerce Meeting Minutes 7/11/2023

Meeting Attendance 13 Meeting Start 12:09, at Hotel NoBo

Meeting Minutes Approval for June 13, 2023 & June 27, 2023

Motion by Scotty to approve minutes. Second by Debra. All in Favor. Motion Passed.

Treasurer Report -

No report. Pam was not present.

Secretary Report – Alison

Alison not present. Julie taking minutes.

Welcome Guest and New Members

Kevin Cotroneo, spouse of Ann Everett-Cotroneo, General Mgr, NoBo. Kevin introduced himself and stated he and Ann are very happy to be in Cascade.

Office, Communications, and Media

a) Office & Communication - Julie

McKenzie Campbell confirmed she and Ryan purchased the Watkins Pharmacy lot, working on design plans with builders for a new drug/pharmacy store. In the meantime, she and Ryan are working with Cascade Medical Center to open a temporary pharmacy (location TBD) by January 2024.

Jeremy, of Odd Job Jeremy, is looking for a full-time worker. Applicants need to be minimum of 18 years of age for Workers Comp purposes. Experience is desired, but Jeremy is willing to train. Contact Jeremy direct, 208-741-0230, oddjobjeremy@protonmail.com

b) Media Assistant - Sharon

If you would like the Chamber to promote events, you need to get info to the Chamber. Submit any event information, fliers, posters, etc. to info@cascadechamber.com. For maximum promotion, submit event information as far ahead of time as possible.

If your business/organization has a change of address, updated phone numbers and emails, or any other changes, please submit an information update request to info@cascadechamber.com so the website Directory remains up to date.

Open Issues

1. 2023 Thunder Mtn Days Events/Fundraisers: Parade, Duck Race, Legion Fireworks Sales, E-bike Raffle

Still in work on the final net revenue tally. So far, numbers are looking good. Will distribute the final report via Weekly Blast. Lessons learned: 1) sale of Ducks & E-bike tickets on parade day well received, next year will expand Duck sales to KWP on race day; 2) Thank you to YWAM for

helping with street clean-up on Sunday, July 2nd & as Street Sweepers (Crowd Control) during the parade. 3) Jack reported the Legion "Dogs in the Park" was a success serving over 400 folks; 4) Suggestion to better define the "GrandStand" area for folks who want to hear the announcer; 5) For next year, line up a designated photographer.

2. Waterfall Project

The water feature continues to present as problematic. Jeremy continues to troubleshoot as issues present. Ashley Thompson has also been helping with the feature.

3. 2023 Hog Wild - Oct 14th

AJ stated Megan will take the lead on the event. AJ asked that anyone who wants to help, sponsor, provide auction items, etc should contact AJ, 715-718-1902, andrew@tpines.org or Megan, 952-465-9671, megz4027@gmail.com. Scotty stated his point of contact for printing tickets no longer available. Julie indicated the Chamber Office should be able to create the Hog Wild tickets.

Open Floor

Rick - Cascade Community & Senior Center Rick stated the center has officially partnered with Meal on Wheels Program. A cook has been found. Target reopening date is July 24th with set lunch prices. Bingo status remains up in the air. Currently, the center is looking for someone to manage bingo. Megan indicated she has bingo experience and can train bingo equipment users. Rick stated he will continue attending chamber meetings and providing ongoing updates.

Kevin - Hotel Nobo Current practices include Valley County Jail discharge of inmates with a hotel room voucher. Recent incidents of inmates damaging rooms. If Valley County Jail wants to continue with this practice, the matter of room damage needs to be addressed.

Dylan - WCMEDC Economic Summit will be on Nov 6th in Cascade. They are hoping to have it at Trinity Pines.

Megan - Local Author Book Signing Michael Foster, a local author of nature themed books inspired by Warm Lake, would like to hold book signings in Cascade. Megan will reach out to the library.

Judy - Mayor Report Sidewalk project for west side HWY-55 between Pine Street and Howdy's slated for May 2024. A solar street light will be installed at the crosswalk between Howdy's and Hotel NoBo. Rapid flashing beacons will be installed at Pine Street and Howdy's crosswalk.

Next Meeting Noon, July 25th, location TBD

Meeting End 12:57