

Cut Bank Area Chamber of Commerce Minutes
May 11, 2016 Special Board Meeting
Cut Bank Chamber Office – Noon

Directors Present: Jeff Billman, Calcie DeZort, Adrienne Fritz, Pat Murphy, LeAnne Kavanagh, Juanita Meeks, Sissy Nygaard.

Executive Director: Amy Overstreet

Directors Absent: Toni Altenburg, Steven Hjartarson, Ryan Eney, (Excused) and Matt Waller (Unexcused)

Guests Attending: None.

Regular Business

The special meeting was called to order by President Jeff Billman. The purpose of the meeting was to prioritize the Community Improvement List (see attached) compiled by Amy in order to give her an idea of the projects the board would like her to be working on as time allows. Amy's list had 23 items and members of the board discussed the items and then determined some were short term goals, others were medium and long term term goals. It was determined some of the items should be referred to the appropriate committee or organization to pursue.

After much discussion Amy was asked to pursue:

- Improving Main Street signage for customers/businesses during the construction project.
- Community survey using Survey Monkey, promoting it on Facebook and by email.
- Contacting Flathead Valley Community College and other brewery-type businesses/educational institutions to express the Chamber's desire to have a brewery relocate or establish itself in Cut Bank.
- Pursue grants for stage cover, web page redesign and Montana Main Street-applicable project, such as awning for the Myhre Building.

Approval of New Renter for Myhre Building: Jeff reported that Vicki Connelly-Schott is willing to pay \$400 per month plus utilities and sign a one-year lease for the Myhre Building. She will consider increasing her monthly payment after one year. The Chamber had proposed a monthly lease of \$500 plus utilities as well as installing new flooring, painting or replacing the stained ceiling tiles and replacing the chipped glass. Jeff estimated the flooring would be \$4,000 to replace.

The board, on a motion by LeAnne, second by Pat, agreed to the terms proposed by Vicki, including the improvements listed above, as well as reduced rent of \$200 per month for June, July and August during the construction phase of the Main Street Project. The motion passed.

Reminders

- Next Chamber board meeting is June 1.

Comments

There were no additional comments.

The meeting was adjourned.

LeAnne Kavanagh
Secretary/Director