

# Glasgow Chamber of Commerce Meeting Minutes September 14, 2022

#### Attendance

Ruth Jones, Lydia Wagy, Scott Morris, Shelley Monnig, Brenda Uthlaut, J.Y. Miller, Cheryl Adams, Diana Clarke, Tara Davis, Cyle Fehling, Kimberly Reckner, Marilyn Nivert, Masha Payton, Lisa Fuemmeler, Sonya Fuemmeler, Mike Carter, Fred Foley, Mary Blacketer, Renna Bean and Aaron Fuemmeler.

# **Meeting Called to Order**

The meeting was called to order by President, Lydia Wagy at 6:28pm

# **Approval of Minutes**

Minutes from the August 10, 2022, meeting was distributed to all participants. A motion was made to approve the minutes by Mike Carter and seconded by Aaron Fuemmeler. The motion passed.

# **Treasurers Report**

Brenda Uthlaut presented the following budget:

General Fund	\$5,126.60
Event Fund	\$7,148.94
I-MM Account	\$4,252.04
Wi-Fi Account	\$267.00

A motion was made to approve the Treasurers report by Sonya Fuemmeler and seconded by Mike Carter. The motion passed.

#### **Old Business**

501(c) Status- Report given by Scott Morris. The process is ongoing. When Jo Brucks was living, she filed a tax statement annually. Since then, no taxes have been filed and there is a financial requirement by the government for reporting. After discussion with them we were able to come up with a solution and provide three consecutive years of the operating budget to fulfill the requirement.

Constant Contact- Kimberly Recner reported on capacity, features and benefits of using the service. There was discussion regarding website visitors and ideas to increase membership in the



community organizations and individuals. Scott Morris asked about features that would integrate with the city website and what options that might exist between entities.

Lydia reminded those in attendance to double check to ensure that they were receiving notifications. No action was needed, it was simply an opportunity to report.

Catfish Tournament- Vic Suttner had been in contact with Lydia (who is reporting the information), and due to ongoing health concerns with family, Vic didn't feel that he could dedicate enough time to organize the tournament. We may revisit the opportunity in the future, Vic offered his services and knowledge to potentially do something in the future.

### **New Business**

Pumpkin Days (Daze)- 10/22/2022 Fred Foley, committee chairman reported on the upcoming event for Glasgow.

8:00-10:00 a.m. pumpkin sales for River Race

All day- Shirt sales and various activities

9:00 a.m. Parade starts. (Staging for the parade will be on 4<sup>th</sup> street)

10:00 a.m. Pumpkin River Race

12:00-2:00pm There is a pumpkin launch scheduled (assuming the FFA is able to help)

Diana Clarke is organizing crafters/vendors

There will be a competition for fall displays as well as a decorating contest for 4-wheelers, golf carts and UTV's.

Advertising was discussed regarding the event. KMMO is offering a \$199.00 package including ads 10 days leading up to event and on-site coverage the day-of. A motion was made by Scott Morris to approve \$199 be used for pumpkin Days advertising, it was seconded by Cheryl Adams and approved.

Trunk or Treat- 10/31/2022 Cheryl Adams reported that the treats are ready to bag and that they need judges.

3:30 pm judging on  $601\ 2^{\text{nd}}$  street, then they will march to the Overlook for Trunk or Treat (set up for Trunk or Treat is  $3:30\ \text{p.m.}$ ) Scott Morris will donate the use of his sound system to announce winners and play music from the water street stage.

Prizes were discussed for 1-3<sup>rd</sup> place. Prize money and historical precedence was discussed. A motion was made by Marilyn to approve \$100 in prize money for the costume contest and \$225 (1<sup>st</sup>-\$100, 2<sup>nd</sup>-\$75, 3<sup>rd</sup>-\$50) for the Trunk or Treat prizes. Mike Carter seconded; motion passed.

## **Committee Reports**



Business Support Committee- Scott Morris & Mike Carter had nothing to report.

2023 Wine Walk Committee- Lydia Wagy, Committee chair reported the information. The wine walk committee met at the Muddy Mo Pizzeria to lay the groundwork for April 15<sup>th</sup> 2023. The date was moved back a week due to the conflict with Easter. VIP tickets were discussed, and the cost will remain \$35/ticket and capped at 100 tickets. This allows entry from 3-4 p.m. at the wine walk. The plan is to have multiple check in locations that will be specific for each type of patron. VIP, general admission pre-sales and general admission same day sales will each have their own lines. There was a discussion regarding logistics, how to handle e-tickets and how we were reaching out to other wineries. We are going to order new glasses this year and wine bags. We prefer using local businesses, if possible, even if quote is higher. We discussed t-shirts for sale and for volunteers as well as a designated driver gift package.

There is going to be a band throughout the event and potentially another act mixed in to cover the time, but not planning to do the evening entertainment. Five food trucks have been confirmed to reduce wait times at restaurants and improve the event experience with a mix of cuisines.

Day of event tentative schedule-

2:00-3:00 p.m. set up for wineries

3:00-4:00 p.m. VIP access to the wineries after check-in.

4:00-7:00pm General Admission

An officer meeting was conducted with the main discussion surrounding long range planning and overall direction of the chamber within the community.

Christmas lights and maintenance were discussed, and officers accepted a bid from Meyer Satellite to hang and repair the lights for \$325.00. To make it official at the chamber meeting Fred Foley made the motion and it was seconded by Marilyn Nivert- motion carried.

Christmas Party- Scott Morris reported as the only member who volunteered for the committee. Scott explained that he would like to see the Knights involved as participants and not as waiters and cooks. He also brought up that it was the same meal as the fall dinner and would like something a little different like Prime Rib. The tickets were \$15.00 last year and attendance has been down. Scott will reach out and try to get help from other chamber members to form a formal committee and get in touch with the Knights representatives to discuss options. J.Y. was concerned that the Knights might get offended if we didn't commit to them again.

Officers Meeting- There will be an officers meeting conducted at 3:00pm on 10/12/22.



#### **Round Table**

Diana Clarke- Main Street's Old Fashioned Christmas & Boat Parade prep is underway, Rolling Pin will donate cookies again

Cheryl Adams-Main Street- Holiday in the park is a new attraction for 2022. Daniel Stallman will be putting up decorations that have been sponsored by local businesses. The different sponsorship prices get you different sizes and some include motion/movement. She also mentioned that the Economic Report for 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter is due end of September, let her know if your business hired anyone or made investments into infrastructure.

Cyle Fehling reported that Sauced Boutique will be having fall inventory on display. They will prepare for prom season and plan to have an event over Christmas Break. They are still waiting on their building to be painted.

Sonya Fuemmeler reported on the Glasgow Public Schools activity and introduced Marsha Payton the Root Ed Program coordinator. Sonya explained that there were lots of things going on to include:

FFA kids will be staying an extra day at National Convention to see some GHS alum getting their American FFA Degree

**Band Competition** 

Cross Country, Softball, Baseball and FFA Trap Shooting. JH sports

The JH is getting a new recreation area and waiting on tables.

The gymnasium was painted and there was a lengthy discussion on the banners and how they intend to auction them off with the hopes that the proceeds offset the cost of the new ones.

Marsha Payton explained that the roots program is for HS Juniors and Seniors, it focuses on career planning.

Mary Blacketer reported for the friends of the pool and senior center:

The Senior Center is hosting a painting party on the 9<sup>th</sup> of October.

The Friend of the Pool will host Sip and Shop during the Old-Fashioned Boat and Christmas Parade

Kimberly Reckner reported that Karbelle Mansion is open and had their first reservation on August 19, 2022. To accommodate more guests in the future, she has moved to the servants' quarters and began renovations on additional living rooms.

She is currently in the process of 501(c) filing status on Visit Glasgow.

She has completed a donor recognition platform for Main Street and it integrates into the financial system to allow for donations and reporting.

Aaron Fuemmeler presented progress on the Highland Hill AirBnB. They have the framing up and he is hoping before he leaves for storm season that they will have it closed in and ready before the wine walk in the spring when he returns.

Renna Bean reported for the city council. They have received a sidewalk grant and look to start moving on some projects soon, including a new bridge on Industrial Drive.



Mike Carter- They have bought 2 new inventories from Florida stores.

J.Y. Miller reported for several organizations-

Knights of Columbus are considering the sponsorship of a cornhole tournament.

St. Mary's Fall Dinner will be drive through again on 11/13/22. Like many who participate in the annual fundraiser there is a hope that one day it will return to a sit in Family style dinner. St. Mary's is starting an Archery program for interested students, and there is discussion about retaining wall repairs.

Lions Club- They are bringing back the Turkey Trot 5K this year. The run will be Thanksgiving morning, official start time TBD.

The Glasgow Museum has appointed a new curator, Lydia Dameron. On Sept 18<sup>th</sup> there will be a Baseball Card exhibit and more sports collectables on display as well as J.Y. giving the John Donaldson presentation at 11:00am and 1:00 pm. There will also be a scavenger hunt for kids.

Scott Morris provided a report for Alexander Capital. He introduced Shelley Monnig. He also provided an update on the following building projects: Senior Center foundation will be done, next level floors

Scott Morris plans to host Santa Claus in the Arthur Morris building this year for Old Fashioned Christmas. Planning an open house sometime week of 11/7 to see the updated office and discuss investment options.

Tara Davis was unable to make it to the meeting, her discussion points will be carried over to the next meeting.

Our next meeting will be at 3:00 p.m. at the Beak on October 12, 2022.

Marilyn Nivert made a motion to adjourn, and this was seconded by Mike Carter.