

Three Forks Chamber of Commerce

Promoting Strategic Economic Growth and Vitality

Montana's Favorite Small Town

April 12th, 2021 @ 1:00pm

AOG Christian Center

Present at the meeting were:

Board members:

President, Brooke Leugers

Vice President Julia Caruana

Treasurer, Ranee Berg

Executive Director, Melissa Jenkins

Board member, Chuck Wambeke

Board Member, Jill Peterson

Guest

Megan A. Moore - Logan-Simpson via Zoom

Crystal Turner via Zoom

Pat Wise

Leandra Hill via Zoom

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order by *Brooke Leugers*.

Approval of Minutes

A motion to approve the minutes was made by Chuck

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Seconded by Jill

Motion carried.

Treasurer Report:

Some Budget items need to be fixed in our numbers for income.

Approved Checks

Type	Date	Num	Name	Memo	Amount
Paycheck	04/12/2021	7289	Jenkins, Melissa	Payroll	\$1,125.00
Payment	04/12/2021	7291	Leandra Hill Agency	Reimbursement for payment to Mike Beck @ Annual Dinner/Meeting	\$200.00
Payment	04/12/2021	7290	Headwaters Ranch	2nd Payment installment	\$2,518.20
Payment	04/12/2021	7287	Ryan's Trophies	2021 tabs	\$131.25
Payment	04/12/2021	7288	IRS	2020 Taxes 941	\$545.26
					\$4,519.71

A motion to accept the checks with an edit to not send the IRS check motion made by Chuck

Seconded by Jill

Motion carried.

Executive Directors Report

- Report-
- Getting computers and internet ready for VIC - found cords were missing and ink needs to be refilled. All have been ordered
- Working with Leandra on Farmers Market, getting more help
- Cleaning up memorized transactions and reconcile in QuickBooks - entered the budget
- Mailed out around 60 tabs, close to ½ members have tabs
- Iron riders - plans for the 125th Anniversary of the US Army 25th Infantry Bicycle Corps *Iron Ride*, which departed from Fort Missoula on June 14th, 1897, and arrived in St. Louis on July 23rd. They are re-creating the 1,900, 41-day Iron Ride during June and July 2022. They are excited that the Iron Ride is presently scheduled to travel through Montana during June 14th-26th, 2022. There is a list of communities along the Iron Ride Route. The Iron Riders did not travel through Three Forks. Instead, it traveled through the canyon along the Missouri River via Townsend, Toston, Clarkston, and Logan. However, because Three Forks is the location of the Headwaters Heritage Museum and shares a significant history with other railroad towns, and is very proud of its history, it makes sense to keep Three Forks, and the Museum informed of our plans at this early

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stage and invite conversations about how Three Forks might participate in the Iron Ride commemorations. The attached Proposal provides more details about our overall mission to commemorate the Buffalo Soldiers.

- Nickers family - the family is producing a music video along with creating inspirational printed materials to highlight the beauty and splendor of Montana - wanted to display the best of Gallatin County. I sent pictures promoting Three Forks & the Chamber Events and Member events we had.
- Need to get employment started for VIC
- Working with Leandra on Farmers Market
- New Member Three Rivers Laundry
- *Annual Report- Secretary of State.*

C&E Development

- **Committee Report- Envision TF, working on HS/JR High Rodeo, 3 Thursdays Bull Riding Competition, Rodeo Meeting tonight. Bozeman Brewing broke ground off Highway 287, water well, wastewater treatment, amphitheater - sustainable food product - High reaching goals. Daniel Pollard Bozeman Brewing is the contact. L&C Cavers - Interviews- Hired Ranger pretty knowledgeable.**

- **Billboard update**

- **Legal Agreement - C&E - still working on verbiage and incentive**

- **Design - Julia**

Ambassadors

- **Committee Report - want to bring back Business After Hours, maybe one in the park -alcohol at the park, business after hours, can't sell it but can provide or BYOB. Could do it first community corner @ Farmers Market and possibly have a concert on July 15? could do another one at Rodeo Grounds before the concert, need more businesses to do business after hours.**

- **Ribbon Cuttings - waiting to schedule Three Rivers**

Special Events

- **Annual Dinner update - Diane will send pictures of the items on the silent auction so we can post them on FB and get more people involved.**

- **Rodeo Dayz - begin plans and start assignments**

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■ Broadwater County-wide Yard sale July 17 - Pam Sample is in charge invited TF to be a part of it would be great for vendors, members with sales, and Rodeo Dayz to advertise - Board agrees.

○ Farmers Market - Find more businesses and need someone to head music up at the park. would like to check in to keeping banners up at the park permanently, check with members to see if someone would donate the lumber to build frame and labor, need to look into this option more.

Guest Speaker

○ Pat Wise Yellowstone Regional Tourism m- Americorp member Headwaters state park - excited for the opportunity to be back in the valley. Numbers have been skyrocketing with numbers. Summer Speaker series. Jefferson & Gallatin will be helping with Noxious weed information. May should see some more school groups. Yellowstone Regional tourism- L&C national park experience nominate place and even on the website. Have space in the office for business cards. Like to put a Visitor Center.

● New Business

○ Logan Simpson Megan Moore(consultant firm) would like to have a booth at Annual Dinner -

Megan A. Moore, Senior Planner TF City Growth Policy wanted a booth at Annual Dinner - Would be great - Chuck will possibly do a presentation during the C&E report at dinner. Melissa will help gather information and relay it to the city office so the booth can be set up at dinner.

○ VIC - working on getting the equipment working properly, have leads on supervisor position. Would like to look at options outside of the caboose, maybe a shed, something more permanent with plumbing.

Motioned to adjourn - Jill

Seconded - Julia

Motion passed.

Next meeting – Monday, May 10th – @ 1:00 pm Library TBD

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