

Westport Area Business Association Meeting – Minutes

Date: Wednesday, October 21, 2020 5:30PM Supper, 6:00 Meeting

Attendees: Barb Winchester, Dennis Fogle, Don Snyder, Dana Witkemper, Connie Davis,

Call to order/Roll Call for Quorum – Board Members: Ila Cottone, Mark Koors, Bonnie Hahn, Bryan Gatewood, ~~Sandi Billieu~~, Jackie Elliott, Terri McGrath, ~~Becky Tichenor, Joann Smith, Mike Gasper,~~

Minutes of 9/16/2020 Meeting – Bryan Gatewood Motion to Approve by BonnieH, 2nd by BarbW. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report - Bonnie Hahn ,Motion to Approve by BryanG, 2nd JackieE. Motion carried.

Membership Committee Chairman Report – no report.

Public Relations Committee Chairman(s) Report – Sandi Billieu/Jackie Elliott

Email Update from Sandi: I have been contacted by a couple businesses asking to join, but do not have any paperwork or final word on either yet. I was also, contacted by 3 people wanting to place political ads, which I quickly explained was against our bylaws . . . they were very understanding, just wanted to get names out there.

Please, advise everyone the deadline for the CRIER is on the 10th of November, as always.

- Also, in the bylaws October is the month to appoint an additional committee assigned to audit the books before the new President takes office in January.

Thanks.
Sandi

New Business Committee Chairman Report – no report.

Old Business:

Crier questions that Ila discussed with Sandi. Printer that Crier uses is same one that Smoke Signals – Lake Santee uses. We discussed what the true requirements were to advertise in the Crier. Membership + Live or own business within 25-mile radius. We didn't find the membership requirement in the by-laws but it is clearly published in the Town Crier Policies and Procedures. Discussion about two tiers of ad pricing one for members, one for non-members while sticking to the 25-mile radius.

Healthy Fair on Saturday 10/31. Bloodmobile will be there from 9A-3P. If weather is nice they plan to do flu shots outside. Sean Durbin has been in touch with Dennis Fogle and Sean thinks the event will be fine if Dennis “does what he says he will do”.

New Business:

- Vote to move 2020 annual meeting to Wednesday November 18, 2020. Bonnie pointed out that bylaws call for annual meeting in October. Motion by BSG, 2nd by BonnieH. Motion Approved.

Next round of Heartbeat of MainStreet Grant Program will open on Thursday, Oct. 22.

www.mainstreet.org/howwecanhelp/hartbeat

Arts Council of Decatur County sent us a letter asking for a donation.

Westport Dairy Queen will be open through November 15th and then re-evaluated for after that.

Jackie's business is busy with Medicare supplements.

Motion by BSG for Business Association to offer to share the storage unit at Pine Lake with MainStreet Westport if they (Main Street) would pay the rental fee every-other-year. 2nd by Terri McG – Motion carried.

Ila volunteered to Audit the Books. JackieE, Terri Mcg, and BonnieH will be recommending board members for 2021.

Adjournment – Motion to adjourn at 6:55, 2nd by BonnieH. Meeting adjourned.

Next Meeting **Wednesday, November 18, 2020, Dinner 5:30, Meeting 6:00.**

Menu = Thanksgiving Meal: Turkey w/dressing, Noodles, Mashed Potatoes w/gravy, Layer Salad, Pumpkin Pie.

Up Coming Events:

Health Fair – Saturday 10/31 9AM-1PM at Venue on 3.