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HOTCHKISS COMMUNITY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

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Executive Board Meeting ~ September, 28, 2016. Library Basement

Roll Call. Present: Board Members: Nathan Sponseller, Katherine Colwell, Tracy Ihnot, Sue Whittlesey, Bill Long

Call to Order. The executive meeting of the Board was called to order by President Sponseller at 8:09am

Approval of Minutes.

Minutes for the August 31, 2016 Board Meeting were emailed to the board prior to the meeting by Tracy Ihnot, Interim Recording Secretary, and were reviewed. Whittlesey made a motion to accept the minutes as amended. Colwell seconded the motion. Motion passed by unanimous consent.

Treasurer's Report.

Whittlesey emailed the Treasurer's report to the Board prior to the meeting for review, and numbers were reviewed. Whittlesey reported that food sales at Colorado Grand were down this year. Leftover food was distributed. New business member, PJs, was hired to supply some of the food. YTD budget was reviewed. Sponseller suggested the remaining funds from CO Grand be moved to the special projects fund. Colwell made a motion to move \$5200 of CO Grand proceeds to the special projects fund. Long seconded the motion, all were in favor. Colwell moved to accept the treasurer report, Long seconded the motion, all were in favor. Following the CO Grand discussion under "Old Business" the board agreed to revise the amount to be moved to special funds to \$4800.

Communication Secretary's Report.

No report this month.

Old Business.

Facilities Resource List. Sponseller brought the rough draft of the list. The next step is to set the parameters and hire someone. Ihnot will review sample contracts to present by the next board meeting or through email if before the meeting. Sponseller reported that Elaine Bret suggested a state grant for creating databases for the public through SIPA. Sponseller looked into it and the application period is through December 20 with awards in March but the application was not found on the site. The board discussed the amount of grant vs. time commitment to manage it and restrictions and agreed not to pursue.

Colorado Grand. Sponseller reported that the event went well, thanks to Whittlesey, the Lions Club, Ute Trails, Joe Colwell, and NF Ambulance. The food was good but dessert needed to be put together on site. Sponseller suggested that next year we arrange to have something that does not need to be assembled. The music with Steady Petticoat was good, the location of the music between parking lot and park was good. Sponseller suggested that HCCC buy a gift certificate to Zack's BBQ for Les Linman for his help during the event. Whittlesey and Colwell suggested \$50. Sponseller also suggested HCCC make a donation to Delta County Fairgrounds sent to Robbie LeValley with note expressing gratitude for use of the fairgrounds and a donation to Lions Club for their volunteer support. NF Ambulance and Ute Trails already get contributions from CO Grand. Ihnot suggested \$100 for the Lions club, Whittlesey said that the money could go to a specific project. Colwell made a motion to buy a \$50 gift certificate for Les Linman, make a \$200 donation to the fairgrounds, and a \$100 donation to the Lions Club special project fund. Ihnot seconded the motion, Whittlesey abstained from voting due to Lions Club affiliation. All were in favor.

Annual Meeting. HCCC is accepting nominations for Citizen, Business and Non-profit awards. An announcement can be made on Facebook. If Ihnot has the HCCC Facebook page up by Monday Colwell can put a link in the Tuesday newsletter. Sponseller will talk to Shadescapes to arrange hosting the meeting there. Colwell and Sponseller will email the most current mailing labels in excel to Ihnot. Sponseller will send Niki Richardson the information for the postcard invitation and include Ihnot on the proof.

New Business.

Disc Golf Course Dedication at Delta Fairgrounds. The course is finished at Delta County Fairgrounds. It was funded by Commissioner Mark Roeber and lottery funds and the grand opening dedication is at 5 pm on Saturday, October 1. They have asked for a HCCC Board Member to be there. Either Ihnot or Long will attend.

Health Care Ballot Measure. Sponseller reported that Long received emails asking HCCC to take a position on a ballot measure, we declined due to our bylaws.

Art Craft & Business Fair. Sponseller reported that he received a request from Rhonda Duclou for volunteers for the fair. They are not using the Addams room this year so when the ballroom fills, they will send to people to the North Fork Ambulance Craft Fair at Heritage Hall. The Addams Room will only be used if Heritage Hall fills. Duclou is looking for a school group to do coffee, tea, and sweets. She needs volunteers to help set up/clean up. Whittlesey asked if table set up can be done the day before. Everyone agreed that would be best. Sponseller will do either set up or take down. Sponseller will let Rhonda know that we will find her the help she needs.

Town Master Plan. The Town of Hotchkiss will be reviewing their Master Plan Survey and has asked HCCC for feedback. They need a response by this Friday, Sept 29. Sponseller reported that the survey is used to gather feedback in order to set priorities for the budget. There was discussion about parking needs, specifically the need for a paved, lined public parking lot downtown. Long suggested that the survey include questions about parking needs in the downtown corridor. Ihnot mentioned that noxious weeds are a problem, especially goat heads. Long also mentioned the need for some cosmetic lighting downtown. Sponseller mentioned street crossing improvement. The Board discussed safety and enforcement of street crossings, set backs at corners, and red zones on corners by fire hydrants. Sponseller will use these topics to draft some questions for submission by the deadline.

Budget Meeting. Whittlesey suggested we schedule an executive board meeting prior to the October board meeting. All agreed on Tuesday, October 18 at 1 pm. Ihnot will confirm a room at Hotchkiss Library.

Announcements/Non-Agenda Items.

HCCC Facebook Page. Colwell made motion we start Facebook page, Ihnot seconded. Ihnot will create and manage the page, Colwell and Sponseller will be assigned administrative privilege. All were in favor.

Blueprint 2.0 DCED Work Session. Ihnot will be attending the October 4 work session, representing HCCC and the Library District.

i Sign. Whittlesey suggested we have an "I" sign at Hotchkiss kiosk. Paonia has them. Sponseller will look into it.

Stage Update. Long priced out some stages and we would be looking at 15k or more to get what we need at the fairgrounds.

Next Meeting. Next Board meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 26 at 8am in the Wheeler Room in Memorial Hall.

Adjournment. Meeting was adjourned by Sponseller at 9:54am.

Minutes respectfully submitted,

Tracy Ihnot, Interim Recording Secretary