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HOTCHKISS COMMUNITY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

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Membership Meeting ~~ April 25, 2018. Wheeler Room.

Roll Call. Board Members: Nathan Sponseller, Tracy Ihnot, Robbie Winne, Katherine Colwell, Sue Whittlesey.
Absent: Bill Long, Lynda Cannon. Community Members: David Jacobson, Videographer.

Call to Order. President Sponseller called the meeting of the membership and Board to order at 8:03 am.

Approval of Minutes.

Recording Secretary Ihnot emailed the March 28 meeting minutes draft to Board members and Board members sent corrections. Whittlesey made the motion to accept the minutes as amended and Winne seconded. All were in favor.

Treasurer's Report.

Whittlesey emailed the treasurer's report prior to the meeting for Board Members to review. She included the ending bank balances of 8,543.86 (after e-waste deposit and before e-waste expenses) in the checking account and 8,097.51 in the special projects account. Whittlesey reported that the April 21 e-waste event generated approximately \$1100 in revenue for HCCC. She reported that there was 20lbs less in screen waste and 3,000lbs more in non-screen waste than in 2017. Whittlesey gave an overview of HCCC's YTD income vs. the projected income on the 2018 budget. All projections are on track, except for non-profit membership dues. Non-profit dues are below the anticipated level. Ihnot made a motion to accept the treasurer's report. Winne seconded. All were in favor.

Communication Secretary's Report.

Colwell reported that HCCC can temporarily upgrade the Mail Chimp account for \$10 for one month to receive technical assistance in adapting to the General Data Protection Regulation that takes effect on May 25. Board discussed the topic briefly and Colwell will move forward with the upgrade.

Presentations/Introductions:

David Jacobson attended the January Joint Chambers meeting asking for letters of support to create a tourism video for Delta County. Jacobson is trying to raise \$20,000 from county businesses and organizations to create the video. He has collected letters of support from various organizations, including the Delta County Tourism Cabinet and other North Fork Valley chambers. Jacobson would like a letter of support from HCCC and can provide a template. Whittlesey made a motion that HCCC provide a letter of support for the creation of the video. Colwell seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Old Business.

E-Waste Collection. Sponseller reported that only two Hotchkiss High School students made it to the event. The event brought in 196 people vs. 165 in 2017. Whittlesey reported that HCCC collected 5390.15 and will have another 265.69 invoiced out to the Town and other local businesses. That will make the total 5655.84 for 2018. In 2017, 4,688.85 collected. Colwell made a motion that HCCC donate \$200 to the Hotchkiss High School basketball team for their volunteer support. Winne second the motion, all were in favor.

Dog Trial Weekend Overview. Sponseller reported that the ad is scheduled and that volunteers are needed for the event.

New Business.

Review of Joint NFV Chamber Meeting. HCCC hosted the meeting at Bank of Colorado on Tuesday, April 18. There was representation from all three chambers and it was a good discussion, but no decision was made to proceed with any changes. Sponseller suggested that as a next step, HCCC exchange any relevant information with the other North Fork Chambers to make further considerations before a decision can be made.

Committee Reports.

Outreach Committee. Winne will be working with Kelli Hepler of Delta County Tourism to schedule a June Business After Hours (BAH) event. Farm Runners may be another good candidate for a BAH event. Ihnot reported that she prepared and delivered more welcome bags to Town Hall on Monday.

Announcements/Non-Agenda Items.

Whittlesey reported that the Lions Club is donating matching funds to North Fork Parks and Recreation District for their baseball field grant.

Sponseller reported that there was an inquiry for HCCC to advertise in the Vacation Land publication. Board members discussed and decided not to proceed.

HCCC Annual Meeting. Whittlesey contacted Doug Fritz to schedule the meeting at the Hotchkiss Fire Station for Wednesday, November 14, 2018.

Hotchkiss Area Group. An in-formal meeting of Hotchkiss merchants and interested parties met recently to discuss topics relevant to Hotchkiss. They are planning to meet every two weeks.

Next Membership Meeting. Meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 30 at 8am in the Wheeler Room.

Adjournment. Meeting was adjourned by Sponseller at 10:00 am.

Minutes respectfully submitted,

Tracy Ihnot, Recording Secretary