

**Houston Area Chamber of Commerce Board Meeting
Monday, October 18, 2021, 5:30 p.m., Houston Legion
Meeting Minutes**

Present: Chris Schroder (President), Nancy Forsyth (Treasurer), Ron Evenson (Board Member), John Evenson (Secretary), Marlene Schultz, Taylor Laschenski (Director)

- I. Meeting was called to order by Chris at 5:37 p.m.
- II. Minutes from August's meeting were approved. John motioned to approve, Ron seconded. Motion carried.
- III. Treasurer's Update: Current account balance is \$8,530.84. including all Lawn Chair Concert funds.
- IV. Old Business
 - A. Lawn Chair Concert Series: Taylor will set up a meeting with the Lawn Chair Concert committee to recap 2021 and preface 2022.
 - B. Block Party
 1. John and Nancy will follow up on payment to Balloons by Kevin
 2. Approx. \$729 received in deposits between wine/beer fundraiser and BBQ contest
 3. Ideas were brainstormed for next year's event:
 - a) Fees for non-Chamber member spots
 - b) Different format for BBQ contest or similar
 - c) Adjust timing of food availability
 - d) Need additional ideas for fundraising
 - C. Hollidazzle, Lighted Parade, and After Glow: Chamber is the fiscal agent. Planning committees are beginning work for this year's events which are the first Saturday in December.
- V. New Business
 - A. Business Trick-or-Treat:
 1. Taylor is working on confirming businesses and getting a flyer to the elementary school to send home with students.

2. Pumpkin decorating is at the bank parking lot; will ask City to set up/leave barricades for traffic.

VI. Ron motioned to adjourn, seconded by Nancy. Meeting adjourned at 6:08 p.m.

Submitted by Taylor Laschenski, Director