

**Houston Area Chamber of Commerce Board Meeting**  
**Tuesday, April 21, 2020, 5:30 p.m., Virtual Meeting**  
**Meeting Minutes**

Present: Rod Torgerson (Vice President), Nancy Forsyth (Treasurer), John Evenson (Secretary), Taylor Laschenski (Director), Marlene Schultz

Not Present: Chris Schroeder (President)

- I. Meeting was called to order by Rod at 5:40 p.m.
  - II. Nancy presented the Chamber's current balance: \$11,911.68.
  - III. Minutes from February's meeting were reviewed. John motioned to approve, seconded by Ron. Motion carried.
  - IV. Old Business:
    - A. Hollidazzle - On the Chamber being the event's fiscal agent, Ron will continue to investigate insurance/liability regarding the event and venue.
    - B. Chamber Members - The need for additional members was discussed. Taylor will send a list of last year's and current members to the board for review.
  - V. New Business:
    - A. Lawn Chair Concert Series - Chamber has applied for a SEMAC grant to help fund the 2020 series. Grant reviews have been postponed to June; we are waiting to hear how this will impact project dates and funding. At this time, the concert series will continue as planned (beginning July 1). The Chamber board and Lawn Chair Concert Series committee will discuss it again in May.
    - B. Root River Trail Towns Updates - 60-mile garage sale has been cancelled. Taste of the Trail is still planned for fall.
      1. Should the Root River Triathlon be postponed to September, the Chamber board would like to approach the Lions about considering holding the event the same day as Taste of the Trail/Block Party.
    - C. Houston Community Food Shelf - A donation of \$1000 to the food shelf for use on locally purchased supplies or gift cards. Ron made a motion to approve the donation, seconded by John. Motion carried. Nancy will talk to the food shelf on presenting that amount.
  - VI. Ron motioned to adjourn, seconded by John. Meeting adjourned at 6:08 p.m.
- Submitted by Taylor Laschenski, Director