

# Houston Area Chamber of Commerce Board Meeting

Monday, May 15, 2023

## Minutes

- I. Call to Order
- II. Additions to the Agenda, Motion made by Ron Evenson and seconded by Vicki Olson to add the following items to the agenda, motion carried.
  - a. Family Fun Day
  - b. Houston Chamber to sponsor the Clowns at the Houston Hoedown Parade.
- III. April Meeting Minutes –Motion made by John Evenson and seconded by Patrick Forsyth; motion approved.
- IV. Treasurer’s Report
  - a. Balance – Motion made by John Evenson and seconded by Vicki Olson motion approved.
- V. Old Business
  - a. BAM update. Saturday August 19<sup>th</sup> – Sunday August 20<sup>th</sup>.
    - i. We will be preparing breakfast at the Lutheran Church. Ron is a Certified Food Manager, and the church is certified. We will not need to get a food permit, since we are preparing the food at the church.
      1. Bam will provide a downpayment for the breakfast.
      2. BAM had inquired if we could serve breakfast at Fest Grounds. The board has decided to serve at Fest Grounds.

3. Houston Area Museum will be open that weekend and will be available to answer any History Houston questions they might have.
  4. BAM has hired a band from Rushford for entertainment for the evening.
  5. BAM is talking to JTs, and the Legion about serving. They are also considering talking to some of the local breweries.
- ii. Permit to Camp needs to be submitted to the Mn Dept of Health. I have forwarded the request to Michelle Quin at the City for them to amend their minutes.
- b. Block Party. More information to follow. The date of the Block party is September 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023. The block party is on the same day as the 60-mile garage sale.
  - c. Ashley gave an update on the Lawn Chair postcards. Ashley will be talking to Ron regarding the final postcard and posters.
  - d. Plaque updates for Chamber Members, tabled to June.

## VI. New Business

- a. The board approved Margaret to be able to write out checks for normal business.
- b. Margaret gave an update on Ashley's school project she did for her Internship and Ashley stated that she is meeting her goals for her class.
- c. Ron to bring back more information from the city. Steve Westby will provide a brochure that we can post out on the Facebook page. The benches are slated to be put in by the band shell in Trailhead Park.
- d. The library held a joint meeting with the community to find out what the hot topics are that they should focus on.
- e. Ribbon Cutting / Events coming up:

- i. Rushford State Bank – Monday May 15<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 a.m.
- ii. Electric Chargers City – Monday May 22<sup>nd</sup> at 1:00 p.m.
- f. Events Coming up:
  - i. Graduation
  - ii. Lawn Chair Concerts

VII. Adjournment – Motion made by Michelle Hoskins and seconded by Ron Evenson; motion approved. Meeting adjourned at 6:21 p.m.