

Houston Area Chamber of Commerce Board Meeting
Monday, June 15, 2020, 5:30 p.m., Schroeder Heating & Cooling
Meeting Minutes

Present: Chris Schroeder (President), Rod Torgerson (Vice President), Nancy Forsyth (Treasurer), Marlene Schultz, Taylor Laschenski

- I. Meeting was called to order by Chris at 5:36 p.m.
- II. Minutes from May's meeting were reviewed. Rod motioned to approve, Nancy seconded. Motion carried.
- III. Nancy presented the Chamber's current balance: \$10,354.68.
- IV. Old Business:
 - A. Hollidazzle - On the Chamber being the event's fiscal agent, we will follow up with Ron regarding insurance/liability the event and venue in July. Marlene shared the committee will plan to have a meeting in the next month.
 - B. Chamber Members - Board members will follow up with local businesses who are not yet members. Thorson Graphics became a Chamber member this month.
 - C. 2020 Senior Recognition Award - 9 seniors applied and were awarded \$100 each. Applications are now closed.
- V. New Business:
 - A. Explore MN Crisis Grant - The Chamber received notice of a pre-determined award for the Explore MN Crisis Marketing Grant program in the amount of \$4,500 based on past grant usage. We plan to apply and use funds for the purpose of direct, consumer advertising.
 - B. Valley View Nursing Home mentioned the possibility of bringing additional music to residents. Chamber is willing to help fund a band if needed.
 1. No Chamber concerts are planned at this time.
 - C. Block Party - As of now, the event is still planned for September with a BBQ competition fundraiser and wine and beer tasting.
- VI. Rod motioned to adjourn, seconded by Nancy. Meeting adjourned at 6:23 p.m.

Submitted by Taylor Laschenski, Director