

Harrington Chamber of Commerce

Minutes

March 3, 2015

The March meeting of the Harrington Chamber of Commerce was called to order at 12:09pm on March 3, 2015 by President Cassandra. Those present were: Mark Stedman, Bunny Haugan, Cassandra Pfaffle-Dick, Heather Slack, Cindy Haase, Sharon Nighswonger, Bekah Downing, Summer Clark, Allen Barth, Celeste Miller, Melanie and Ken Kennedy and Amy Foley.

The minutes of the February meeting were accepted as presented.

Cindy presented the treasurers report: Checking \$5,994.86, Savings \$3,594.00 Deposits \$90.00 in dues and expenditures of \$847,86 to the Baldwin Sign Co. for banners. Accepted as presented.

The banners have been received and will be put up on the north end of town and in Grainview Park. Cindy and Kathy volunteered to put them up. The banners do not have any venting for wind resistance so we will watch for damage. A motion by Allen Barth and second by Sharon Nighswonger allowed the bill from Baldwin Sign for two banners. Motion carried.

Clean up day

No word has been received from the school regarding a date that will work for them for clean-up day. Letters were sent to Jason Houck, Mike Herron and Mike Fries regarding their property at the west and north entrances to Harrington. No clean up has been done at those places at this time. Herron's stated a fence around the barrels was in the plans.

Cruisin Plans

Continued discussion on preparations for the May 16th event.

- 1) Where to put the venders and we are trying to encourage them to be outside unless there is a weather problem.
- 2) Beer Garden ...4X4 Club is a go
- 3) Color contest open to ages 4-6, 7-10,11-13. Winners from each age group will be selected. Return completed posters to the Bank. Winning posters will be awarded a dinner sponsored by Allen Barth. Posters will be used for advertising.
- 4) Quilt display in the Opera House
- 5) No Horse Plow this year
- 6) Opera House sponsoring a Jazz program
- 7) Possibly pies from Homemakers
- 8) How about donuts and coffee in the A.M.
- 9) Four confirmed venders will have crafts, candles, crochet, & dolls
- 10) Uncertain about food venders

Information items

President Cassandra announced that John & Jeanette Dempsey were in the process of purchasing the old Harrington Haus Tavern and plan to open a family restaurant in a couple months serving

breakfast and lunch. Later they may add alcohol. Perhaps they could use some help on clean up day.

Welcome to Ken & Melanie Kennedy on renting the former Carrot Patch for their e-bay business. They expressed they want to cooperate with the city events and Ken would be happy to accommodate the public in searching or selling items.

Celeste Miller representing the HHPC is inviting all organization “representatives” to attend the April 9th, 6:30 meeting at the Opera House to share ideas and goals from each group as well as their mission statement or any needs or help they could use.

Cindy will make a face book page for the Chamber.

Several comments on buildings unable to be rented or used as a business due to the owners “stuff” being stored and making the space unavailable.

Various spots in town and at the entrances to town are becoming or have become a nuisance and are in violation of the city nuisance ordinance. Those present were urged to attend a city council meeting and make their concerns known.

Meeting adjourned at 12:53 pm.