

GRANDVIEW CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

July 11, 2005

I Preliminary

At 11:00 AM on July 7, 2005, Chamber President Jim Herriman called the meeting to order for the Grandview Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors. This meeting was held at the Grandview City Hall. Present when the meeting was called to order or during portions of the meeting were:

Chamber Board Members:

Jim Herriman (KeyBank), President

Mike Bradshaw (Benton REA's PowerNET), Secretary

Norm Childress (City of Grandview)

Steve Martin (Wal-Mart)

Danika Martinez (High School Representative)

Ashley Lara (High School Representative)

Delynn Otis (Clear Channel Radio)

Cookie Shannon (Grandview Float, Parade, Alumni, Junior Miss)

Gaylene Tucker (Consumer's Choice Insurance), Grandview Parade Chair Person

Chamber Staff:

Vicky Ramirez (Grandview Chamber Office Staff)

Guests:

Sharon Fisher, Yakima Valley Fair and Rodeo

II Regular Business Items

The board reviewed the minutes for the Chamber Board meeting held on 6-6-05.

Cookie Shannon made a motion to accept the minutes for the Chamber Board meeting held on 6-6-05 as presented, and Steve Martin seconded the motion. The motion carried.

The Treasurer's Report for the month of June of 2005 was presented by Vicky. The report showed the beginning savings account balance at U.S. Bank was \$300.13 as of 5-25-05, and the ending savings account balance was \$300.16 as of 6-23-05. The beginning balance for the community checking account with U.S. Bank was at \$8,723.87 as of 6-1-05, and the ending checking account balance was \$8,291.99 as of 6-30-05. The beginning balance for the tourism checking account with U.S. Bank was \$1,169.89 as of 6-1-05, and the ending tourism checking account balance was \$1,104.11 as of 6-30-05. A list of disbursement checks and bank account deposits for the month of June of 2005 was also presented.

Cookie mentioned the need to pay the account containing gasoline charges in a timely manner so that the Grandview float and the float transportation truck will be able to fill up with gas whenever necessary.

Mike Bradshaw made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Financial Reports for the month of June 2005, and Steve Martin seconded the motion. The motion carried.

III Unfinished Business

Grandview Parade

Gaylene Tucker reported on the Grandview Parade. Ten vests are available for the parade volunteers to wear for identification purposes, and the parade committee is still working on getting a 20 foot by 20 foot tent set up for shade at the parade registration area. Gaylene reported that the parade volunteers are going to need about 14 two-way radios or phones for communications during the parade. Mike Bradshaw suggested that U.S. Cellular could be contacted to see if cellular phones could be donated for use during the parade.

It was noted that the parade this year would be supported by a lot of advertising, and that there would be two master of ceremonies stages set up to announce the parade entries as they come by. Mike Bradshaw volunteered Benton REA's PowerNET to produce the parade posters again this year, and said that he will need to get parade pictures and literature from Gaylene and Delynn for the posters to be developed.

Hot Summer Nights, BBQ, & Bands

Delynn handed out a rules and regulations document for the board to review with regard to the Hot Summer Nights barbeque contest. Delynn said that the barbeque will finish at 5:00 PM and that the bands will start playing at 6:00 PM. Tara McCormick will be the headliner to sing at the end of the show. There was much discussion about the laws and regulations associated with serving alcohol, and Delynn said that she is going to follow up on this issue to make sure that the event is in compliance. Sharon Fisher mentioned that there is a City of Grandview ordinance that a non-profit entity can only have two alcohol related events per year.

Delynn mentioned that Clear Channel Radio is promoting the Hot Summer Nights event, and that it must do better than break even in order to be involved with the event. The board discussed various options as to how much the Grandview Chamber would expect to earn for its efforts in assisting and supporting the Hot Summer Nights event. **Norm Childers made a motion to set the amount that the Grandview Chamber will receive from the Hot Summer Nights event at \$1,000, or 50% of the gross revenues from alcohol sales, whichever is greater. Cookie Shannon seconded the motion. The motion carried.** At the last Grandview Chamber board meeting it was noted that the Hot Summer Nights event is going to be billed as a Grandview Chamber/Clear Channel event.

Grandview High School Representatives

Danica Martinez and Ashley Lara introduced themselves, and mentioned that they would like to see more involvement from the high school students in the Grandview Chamber.

Grandview Float and Junior Miss Reports

Cookie reported that the Alumni Association is going to have a no-host lunch at the Westside Park that will start at noon on Saturday August 13th. She also mentioned that at 6:00 PM on

August 1st there is going to a National Fight Crime meeting that will take place at Westside Park. Cookie said that she has turned in all of the float donations, and she doesn't know if Yakima will want to rent the float again this year. Cookie reported that the Junior Miss program is going to be eliminated, and that it will be replaced by a Miss Grandview organization. Cookie wants to increase the scholarship amount to be associated with the Miss Grandview program, and said that involvement in community, church, and school will all be components for the contestants participating in the program. Cookie mentioned that there is a real need for volunteers to help with designing and building the Grandview float. She said that work on the float should really start in January of each year, and that the design and planning functions for the float should start as early as December.

IV New Business

Agenda for General Membership Meeting

It was noted that the agenda for the Grandview Chamber general membership meeting to be held tomorrow is to include an item to discuss the volunteer help needed to design and construct the Grandview Float. Jim mentioned that he would like to get the high school more involved in the design and art work associated with the float. It was noted that the high school does have an Artistic Design Club that may be able to help with designing the float.

Chamber Office Report

Vicky introduced Shirley Caskey, who is new to the area from Tucson, Arizona, and who has volunteered to help out at the Grandview Chamber office. Shirley will be help at the chamber office from 3 PM to 5 PM on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

V Meeting Dates, Announcements, Schedules, and Miscellaneous

Jim announced that this year the Grandview Chamber and KeyBank are going to split a booth space at the Yakima Valley Fair and Rodeo. He also announced that the Grandview Chamber general membership meeting for August will be held on Wednesday August 10th at the food court at the Country Park fair grounds in Grandview, and that the meeting will start at noon.

Chamber general membership meetings are normally held on the second Tuesday of each month. The next Chamber general membership meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 11, 2005, at 1 P.M at the Bethany Presbyterian Church.

The Grandview Chamber board meetings are normally held on the first Monday of each month. The next Grandview Chamber board meeting will be held on Monday, August 1, 2005 at 11:00 AM at the Grandview City Hall building.

VI Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 12:16 PM.

MICHAEL J. BRADSHAW, SECRETARY