

GRANDVIEW CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

July 12, 2004

I Preliminary

At 12:00 PM on July 12, 2004, Chamber President Jim Herriman (with Key Bank) 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:

Derek Wood (Budget Car Sales), Vice President

Elizabeth Jimenez (City of Grandview), Treasurer

Marina Ledesma (U.S. Bank), Treasurer

Mike Bradshaw (Benton REA's PowerNET), Secretary

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

Nicole Walker (Sheffield Manor & Walker Farms)

Elaine Wright (University of Washington)

Lynda Jo Gross from the Grandview Herald was also present.

Karla Baker (Grandview Chamber of Commerce Clerk)

II Regular Business Items

Derek Wood made a motion to accept the minutes for the Chamber Board meeting held on 6-7-04 as presented, and Cookie Shannon seconded the motion. The motion carried.

The Treasurer's Report for June of 2004 was presented by Elizabeth Jimenez. A summary for the month of May showed the beginning bank balance at \$15,323.36, withdrawals in the amount of \$3,834.44, deposits in the amount of \$552.75, and an ending bank balance of \$12,041.67. A list of disbursement checks and bank account deposits for the month of June of 2004 was also presented.

There was a question on the pins that were purchased, and it was noted that a quantity of 200 were purchased. A question was also asked about the Chamber continuing to carry insurance for an annual beer garden event that was sponsored by the Chamber at the Summer Eve in the Park celebration. It was also noted that the Chamber should not pay for full insurance coverage when the float truck is parked for the winter months. The board discussed the use of tourism money to maintain the truck and float, and the requirement that all of the expenses to maintain the truck should be paid from the tourism fund.

Derek Wood made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Reports for the month of June of 2004 with an amendment to move \$350.56 for float truck maintenance at Grandview Automotive, and a portion of the \$733.93 amount for Safeco truck insurance, to the tourism checking account. The motion carried.

III Unfinished Business

Community Events

Band Day – Jim report that everything is going good with the Band and Cheer Day.

Parade – The parade route was discussed. Better organization is needed for when the parade is finished, and the possibility of have a number of different parade ending locations was discussed. Trophies and ribbons issues were discussed, and it was noted that clip boards will need to be purchased for the judges. Cookie will develop a list of judges. The board discussed how to go about getting the trophy winner information to the announcement stand. It was suggested that orange vests should be purchased from Wal-Mart to identify the parade workers.

Mike Bradshaw announced at this point that Benton REA is donating a check in the amount of \$500.00 to support the Grandview Parade and to help cover the associated parade expenses. The board discussed the possibility of having a separate account for paying the Grandview Float expenses. Doug Smith will be the Grand Marshall for the parade this year. Lynn Boast has volunteered to provide cars for people to ride in. The Wenatchee Youth Circus will be in the parade this year.

Chamber Open House

The following items were discussed: blinds need to be installed, paint needs to be scraped off the windows, other miscellaneous items need to be done, need a CD player for music, need pictures on the walls, need copies of Dave Charvet's old Grandview pictures.

Lease for Chamber Office

Mike said that he is continuing to work with John Fournier, the owner of the Grandview Herald, on the lease agreement. Mike noted that Mr. Fournier has indicated that he is okay with the first year of the lease not containing an option to cancel the lease by either party.

Neighborhood Outreach Update

Elaine Wright from the University of Washington will be assisting the Chamber with issues on how to obtain grant money. Elaine speaks fluent Spanish, and will try to get the Hispanic community more involved with the Chamber. It was noted that there will be an AAU tournament in Grandview this month.

IV New Business

Additional Member Evening Meeting (bilingual)

It was suggested that an evening member meeting should be scheduled to be held in the downtown Grandview area, and that it should be bilingual. Elaine will do a poll as to when the additional meeting should take place, and where it should be held. The topic of the business socials that used to be held by the Chamber was discussed. The main focus of the evening meetings will be to provide information in a fashion that is similar to the regular monthly chamber membership meetings. This will be discussed at the general membership meeting tomorrow.

Fair Tee Shirts for Sale

It was announced that fair tee shirts can be purchased for \$12.50 each, and are available from size small through triple x.

Lock Box or Locking Filing Cabinet for Money and Checks

Derek noted that he has a fire proof safe that he will donate to the Chamber.

Payday Change for Chamber Personnel

It was the consensus of the chamber board to allow the chamber payroll to be processed on the first and the fifteenth of every month.

Agenda for Membership Meeting

A speaker from KIMA television will make a presentation at the next general membership meeting. It was noted that there is a new principal at the Smith School. Kevin Chase is the new Grandview School District Superintendent, and Mike volunteered to contact him to see if he would like to speak at a general membership chamber meeting.

V Meeting Dates, Announcements, and Schedules

The next Chamber Board meeting will be held on Monday, August 2, 2004, at noon.

The next Grandview Chamber general meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 11, 2004 at 1:00 PM at the Country Park Fair Grounds in Grandview. The general membership meetings are normally held on the second Tuesday of each month.

VI Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 1:19 PM.