

THE GREATER INMAN OF AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

July 5, 2016
Meeting Minutes

The GIACC held its regularly scheduled monthly meeting on Tuesday, July 5, 2016 at Starry Night Event Center. In attendance were Board members David Grayshock, Teri Newmark, Cliff Newmark, Tom Plemmons, Zylphia Ables, and Bessie Fisher. A quorum was present. Also in attendance were: Freddy Ruehl, Community Promotions, Chamber Events Chair - Wanda Ballenger, Chamber member Greg Lambert, Randy Bettilyou, and Daniel Proper

David Grayshock, President welcomed everyone then called the meeting to order. The meeting continued with:

- Reading/approval June meeting minutes. Teri made a motion to approve as read with a second by Zylphia. The motion passed unanimously.
- Reading/approval June financial report. Bessie made a motion to approve as presented with a second by Teri. The motion passed unanimously.
- Introduction of new attendees
- Teri Newmark, Vice President
 - Ribbon Cutting for newest member PRO PHYSICAL THERAPY is scheduled for Tuesday, July 12 at 5:30. Located at 6400 Hwy. 9, Inman.
 - First Citizens wants to schedule a Business Open House. Teri will follow up with that
 - Hospitality Tax Requests for funding are due and Council has asked a representative from the Chamber to attend the July 11 Council meeting where requests will be discussed.
 - Attended the first performance in the newly renovated Inman Theatre. There was a full house and wonderful performance. Another is scheduled for July.
- Tom Plemmons, Economic Development
 - Will work on a spring event with focus on hunting and fishing. Will contact True Timber to assist with the event.
 - Will send Bessie information to assist with thank you letters for those contributing items for the May 10 Meet and Greet.
 - Reminded everyone of the Board approved Zombie Run in October
 - Would like to see the Chamber working more closely with City Council and City Zoning/Planning Commission
- Bessie Fisher
 - CERT will assist with the HD Run and Zombie Run.
 - Will complete paperwork for Hospitality Tax Requests to City of Inman
 - Continues to post on the Chamber Face Book
 - Active Living will meet to organize HD Challenge Run, Zombie Run, and Santa 5K Fun Run. CERT will be assisting.
- Wanda Ballenger, Events Committee Chair
 - HD meeting is Tuesday, July 12 in Inman Fire Department beginning at 6:30
 - 2 Kiosks were approved by Board with a cost of no more than \$200 per unit. David made the motion with a second from Teri for the funding. Motion passed unanimously.

- HD vendor applications have been sent. Returns are following past years with few received to date.
- HD Food Court has been located in the Inman Antique Mall the last few years. Water is available for vendors. Unsure how the closing of the Mall will affect the Food Court.
- Member is contacting past sponsors for 2016 HD support
- Motion made and approved to donate \$250.00 to the Food Pantry in honor of Todd Belcher and his continued support of the Chamber and City. His business will be closing the end of August 2016.
- Chamber will not fund second stage on Mill Street. Possibility The Frame House will have one but no confirmation.
- Zylphia Ables
 - Reported on Honea Path's event Honea Path Has Talent. Could be something the Chamber might consider.
 - Reminded David and Bessie to visit Spartanburg County Foundation to retrieve funding from several years ago.
 - Will help the Chamber in events but not Zombie Run.
- Cliff Newmark reminded everyone the membership plaque needs to be finalized. Need to decide on photo to be used.

Old Business

- Freddy Ruehl – reported on the Inman mobile app. Presented to Board and asked for reviews and comments. Changes can be made at anytime. App should launch the first of August
- Greg Lambert reported there will be no more Music at the Barn. Is not financially feasible at this time. Would like to consider an Old Fashioned Christmas at the Barn with a laid back celebration. Does Burl Ives skit for events.

New Business

- With Inman Antique Mall closing, unsure of Halloween Boo on Blackstock which has been held in the parking lot the last few years.

Adjournment – a motion to adjourn was made by Bessie with a second by Zylphia. The motion passed unanimously.

Reconvene for Executive Session