Rio Dell-Scotia Chamber of Commerce Monthly Board Minutes

October 2, 2020

Present: Nick Angeloff, president; Jim Brickley, vice-president; Tracy O'Connell, secretary; members Sharon Holt and Susan Pryor.

The meeting was called to order at 12:09. Nick went over the financial information, that our balances were:

Savings \$7210.69
Checking \$8178.31
Community gardens \$320.00
Senior food for possible Covid re-do \$3698.35

Nick said the last of the flags would be ready to use by Veterans Day in November, and that the plan was to get the sponsorship plaques attached by then as well. He said he would be free one of the next two weekends to work on it.

It was agreed to purchase up to \$2,500 in lights which would be available at Costco for this year's expansion of the Christmas decorations. Nick moved, Sharon seconded, and the motion passed.

It was discussed to have a live tree lighting outdoors using a pop-up umbrella to protect people from the rain. Tracy suggested a live Facebook feed so people could watch at home. To do that, someone with a smart phone would be needed to record and that person would need to be an administrator on the chamber's Facebook page. Nick said we could use his phone; Tracy said he would have to 'like' the Facebook page in order to be made administrator.

Susan is going to talk to Humboldt Redwood about donating a tree and Nick is going to talk to Gabe at Root 101 to see if they are selling trees this year and if so if they will donate one.

Sharon asked if we should get a fake tree for the chamber building to be part of the window display in lieu of indoor decorations, and it was agreed.

It was agreed to start decoration Nov. 21 and complete it Nov. 28 as last year it proved too much to do for one day.

Jim discussed his call to the Old Photo Guy about getting photos to put in the kiosks, and he and Nick talked about how to get photos blown up large at an engineering firm Nick uses. Nick invited others to help pick photos, said if no one had in two weeks he would place the order,

and that he has a Publisher program that can be used as a template to show where the photos and copy go in each kiosk.

Julie Woodall is to be working with the city to get locations OK'd. A discussion of how to cover the approximately \$1,200 cost for Plexiglas, photo use and production cost, was not completed.

Tracy asked if the board wanted to redo the background on the Avenue of the Giants billboard as had been discussed, for about \$400 after the other change, the new Element 7 art, which that company is paying for. The chamber makes \$300/year on managing the signs when all 10 firms on it pay, and this year the Immortal Tree gift shop management didn't charge for the rental due to Covid. Sharon moved and Nick seconded to approve the expense. Motion passed.

Nick said he would research how to get a payment button on the chamber website so people can pay their membership from a place on the email going out, that would take them to the web. Sharon said Melissa had the most recent membership form that needed to be updated.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:52 p.m.

An email vote was taken October 7 in response to receipt of the bill for 2020-21 dues payable to the local Kiwanis, for \$200. Tracy moved, Nick seconded, and Sharon and Jim approved payment.

Respectfully submitted,

Tracy O'Connell