Rio Dell Scotia Chamber of Commerce Board Meeting July 7, 2023

The meeting was called to order at 12:05 p.m. by Jim Brickley, vice president. Others present: members Susan Pryor, Sarah Reback, Tracy O'Connell, chamber president Nick Angeloff; city council liaison Amanda Carter; and community members Julie Woodall and Becky Giacomini.

The board reviewed the status of upcoming events, including Pints for Nonprofits which is to be held July 21 from 5 to 8 p.m. at Scotia Lodge. Matt at the Lodge said people interested in seeing how it could work should stop over any time and ask the staff for a walk-through of how it has been set up for other groups.

Jim, Amanda, Sarah, and another person who has offered to help, will set up starting at 4 and stay into the event. Julie will be there to staff, as well. Susan has printed off parade applications and information about the chamber.

Jim asked for a couple easels to display the Scotia kiosk materials at the event. He has the tumblers that will be given away and will bring them, along with the chamber banner and box for donations which are stored at the chamber.

Sarah will bring a folding table.

Also discussed was the Wildwood Days parade. Susan has the neckerchiefs that will be given out and is purchasing gift certificates and other items to make prize baskets for the winners of the three parade categories. Jim is putting the float together and recruiting car owners and horse riders among others to be in the parade. Amanda is teaching line dancing to the people wanting to be involved, Sarah is recruiting organizations to be in the parade, Nick has confirmed he'll oversee the interaction with emcee Michele Bushnell and the transfer of paperwork from the judges and entrants' table to the reviewing stand. Jim knows about the loudspeaker system and platform. Tracy will put the parade in the traditional media and on Facebook in addition to places it already is posted.

Jim said the thing holding the installation of the last two kiosks was the need for Tim Marks to route the legs. Susan said the thing holding the installation of the flag poles was the need for someone to meet with the management at Scotia Lodge and the Community Services District to ascertain where the flags should go in each property. Nick said Tim and Melissa should do that, Susan said she would contact them.

Melissa emailed in advance of the meeting that there were additional flags that should be put up in Rio Dell beyond the 20-ish that would go in Scotia and wondered about the city hall lawn.

Discussion included the use of city hall lawn not being feasible due to sprinklers and other underlying things, and the possibility of using Memorial Park.

Nick gave a brief summary of his month of archaeological work in Macedonia, and Susan said that Leslie Marshall had left her position as manager at the Scotia Community Services District for a job at College of the Redwoods and would be replaced by Steve Coppini, manager of the plant at the Town of Ferndale.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Tracy O'Connell, Secretary