

Roundup Chamber of Commerce

Annual Meeting Minutes 1/26/15

Members Present: Kim Erickson, Shawn Dutton, Darcy Dutton, Dale Alger, Tomi Alger, Marc Blum, Rose Blum, David Jones, Sandra Jones, Izabel Bowers Koval, Theresa Doumitt, Bette Ross, Larry Ross, Gary Elaisson, Jessica Samuelson, Lyn Ohl, Nicole Borner, Cheri Salthe

Meeting brought to order by Chairperson, Kim Erickson at 6:30 pm.

Approval of Agenda: Shawn motioned that the agenda presented for 2016 Annual Meeting dated 1/26/2106 be approved; Dale seconded the motion; motion carried to approve the agenda as presented.

Approval of Minutes: Dale motioned to approve the minutes of the 2015 Annual Meeting dated 2/12/2016 as presented; Rose seconded the motion; motion carried to approve the minutes as presented.

Southeast Montana Tourism Association – Nicole Borner: Nicole reported that the both the Riverwalk and Main Street Memorial Gardens projects are progressing nicely. Both projects continue to promote fundraising efforts. Nicole presented information regarding the Southeast Montana Tourism Association. The Board meets quarterly and there is currently an opening on the association board. If interested, contact the association at 1-800-346-1876. Applications may also be found online at www.SoutheastMontana.com. Nicole announced that RIDE will be featured in the “Visit Southeast Montana” publication. Nicole also mentioned the fact our local area provides many points of interest, historical references and legendary figures. Sandra made the suggestion that Chamber packets should be assembled and made available with local brochures and promotional materials included. At this time, Nicole stated that the association will provide matching funding for promotional materials. The audience voiced agreement that brochures and such should be made available. This will be implemented in the near future.

Community Pride Committee Report – Bette Ross:

Spring Clean-Up April 23rd, 24th & 25th: Bette reported that with the resignations of Roberta and Linda, she solicited new committee members. In addition to the over 50 volunteers that assisted in the clean-up, Coach Griffith’s basketball team and the elementary school children were on hand to pick up trash, dig out dirt accumulation in the curb areas and remove 6 truckloads of branches. The debris from the house fire behind the Methodist Church was cleaned up also. Members of Roundup Community Pride pitched in to help with the clean-up,

however, members of the Chamber nor the City Council were present at this event. Mayor Jones was on hand to thank the many volunteers that gave of their time in an effort to clean-up our town. Many positive comments with the results of the efforts put forth by all of the volunteers.

3rd & 4th of July Parade: Flags were purchased and displayed by local businesses throughout the town, thanks to our local Boy Scouts and Dave Wycoff. The parade was a great success; however, more volunteers are needed. At this time, Bette asked if the parade should be turned back over to RIDE. Shawn stated that the Chamber took over the parade from RIDE.

Christmas Stroll: Community input has indicated that the Stroll should be held in December in conjunction with the Festival of Trees as one event. Small Business Saturday should be a separate event and the Chamber, promoting local commerce, should assist the businesses that wish to participate by possibly providing advertisement and refreshments.

Membership Drive: The response has been very positive with all but a few businesses becoming members. Kim introduced the Roundup Chamber of Commerce window sticker that will be given with new membership.

New Members are as follows:

- 2C LLC-Gary Eliasson
- A & A Implement – Dennis Anderson / Sharon Anderson
- The Alley Cut - Doreen Rech
- Al's Mini Storage – Brandon Picchioni
- American Title & Escrow – Heidi Gabel
- Arcade Bar – Joann Mills
- Big Sky Motel – Donna Funk
- Billings Chamber of Commerce
- Bull Mountain Trading Company – Carla Ann Gosman
- Currant Creek Angus – Gary & Phyllis Eliasson
- Designs by Us – Dawn Unzicker & Brenda Serrano
- Double Quarter Circle Horses – Bill & Toni Turner
- Electric Service Shop, Inc. – Mike Mihalovich & Mike Kowalski
- Eliasson Electric – Eric Eliasson
- Foot Shack – Karen Merfeld
- Grand Bar – Michelle & Jackie Perella
- Imagine That Photo-graphics – Pam Martin
- Lekse Construction LLC – Larry Lekse

- Mark S. Rosebush, DMD
- Picchioni's IGA – Dave Picchioni
- Project & Management Services – Monte L. Sealey
- Rodeo Roundup – Stu Sannner & Angie Tatman
- Ross Ranch – Larry & Bette Ross
- Roundup Community Radio – Bill Edwards
- Roundup Memorial Healthcare – Brad Howell
- Roundup Record –Tribune – Eric & Mary Ellen Rasmussen
- Shopko –
- Valley Federal Credit Union – Linda Larson
- Valley Spring Ranch – Tim & Dawn Unzicker
- Van Dyke's Supermarket – Tracy Barta

Upcoming Events:

- Tradeshow – RSVP-Date to be determined
- Cars & Pars – August 20th @ the Golf Course

New Website Introduction: Kim proudly presented the new Roundup Chamber of Commerce which can be found at www.roundupchamber.org. Kim pointed out some of the features of the website such as the calendar, membership information as well as some of Roundup's feature attractions. The audience agreed that it is a great addition to the efforts of promoting Roundup. Rose motioned to accept the website as presented; Marc seconded; motion passed to accept the new Roundup Chamber of Commerce website as presented. There was suggestion made that the chamber have its own email address. The audience was in agreement. Kim's efforts were applauded. At this time, Mayor Jones thanked the Chamber members for their accomplishments over the past year.

Social Media Report – Cherie Salthe: Cherie reviewed the popular events and postings and shared the demographic report. The Chamber page has received 510 likes; 76% women, 23% men; age group popularity in the 25 – 54 range. For more information, to post events, etc. contact Cherie at dogpoundts@gmail.com.

Annual Nominations and Elections: The floor was opened for nominations for Vice Chairperson and Treasurer. Shawn nominated Jessica for Treasurer; Marc seconded the nomination. Dale nominated Shawn for Vice Chairman; Kim seconded the nomination. No opposition to the nominations was voiced, a combined vote was cast and the candidates were voted in unanimously.

Meeting Dates Scheduled:

- **Regular monthly meeting** to be held at the library; **February 23rd @ 6:00 pm.**
- **Annual meeting; January 24, 2017**, venue to be determined at a later date.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 7:30 pm.