Milford Commercial Club Minutes

May 8th, 2014 | Catered by: Buy Rite

Board Members present:

Nick Origer, Chris Hinshaw, Jeremy Morrison

Members Present:

Dawn Powell, Tom Arends, Kelsey mergen, Beth Sorenson, Karleen Noteboom, Mary Dannatt, Brenda Harmon, Don Lamb, Matt Skaret, Pat Adams

Meeting was called by Chris at 12:10PM.

Introduction of members present

Secretary's Report: Was emailed out yesterday and in front of everyone at the meeting. Approved by Dawn and 2nd by Tom; Passed

Treasurer's Report: Was given on paper. Question on what the Expense for professional Fees for \$580 was for. Should be answered at next meeting. Tom made a motion to approve, 2nd Dawn; Passed.

Chamber of Commerce Report: Walleye weekend attendance was good. Great weather this year. No tagged walleye caught. Epic Iowa Road Trip is at Arnolds Park today from 1:30 to 3:30. Carina Woodward was hired as the new Okoboji Tourism Director to replace Stacy Rosemore.

Regular Business:

<u>Pioneer Days:</u> Explained to the group that if purchasing 2 inflatables the insurance would be approx \$2600 per year depending on what inflatables, etc. Cost of renting 6 inflatables for Pioneer Days is \$3000. Tom made a motion to rent the inflatables for pioneer days 2014 and not purchase them. 2nd by Jeremy; Passed

<u>Paid Position:</u> Due to circumstances beyond the MCC's control, the selected person for the position was not hired and the qualified candidate had backed out. Mary Dannatt make the suggestion that Dawn Powell (who was in attendance at the meeting) would be a great person for the job and with her recent past president experience would be a perfect fit for the job. Dawn expressed that she would be willing to do the job in the interm until a full time replacement was hired. Tom made a motion to hire Dawn for the Paid Position until a full time replacement was hired effective May 1, 2014. 2nd by Mary; Passed. An ad for the paid position will go in the paper the following few weeks. Dawn also now steps down from the hiring committee.

<u>Planters:</u> Bids were on the tables for everyone to compare. We talked about both options and had discussion about them. Everyone felt that the bids were very comparable in end result. The choice was to go with Lynnette's Flowers over Cottage Gardens for the 2014 planters. Motion to hire Lynnette's Flowers was made by Brenda, 2nd by Dawn; Passed.

<u>RAGBRAI</u>: City is beginning repairs on A34 soon to make sure the road is safe for bicycle riders. Campgrounds were announced as Okoboji HS, Boji Bay, Spirit Lake HS and Brooks Golf Club. Anticipated route for the bikers is East on A34 and North on Hwy 71 on Sunday. Monday morning South Hwy 71 then East on A34. Vendors, events, and housing was all talked about briefly. Check out www.okobojiragbrai.com for more information.

<u>Announcements:</u> Milford was awared by the State a \$600,000 grant to aid in the H Ave Infrastructure improvement project. This will be a 2 phased project beginning in the summer of 2015. Polaris job fair went well and they were VERY thankful for all the help the MCC members provided. They had about 400 people attend.

Adjourn: 12:50PM Tom / Karleen