

Pigeon Chamber of Commerce

Annual Meeting Minutes

January 1, 2024

Present: Terry Brown, Erica Reif, Janet Haag, Kathy McQueen, Neal Eichler, Annie Eichler, Lisa DiCamillo, Logan Richmond, Duane Wurst, Lori Kemp, Lynn Polega, and Ric Aymen.

Call to Order: The annual business meeting was called to order by the President, Terry Brown, at 5:35.

Opening Statement: Thanks to Gary and the Pigeon Inn for preparing this evening's food, Lisa for bringing salad, Annie providing beverages and Lynn Polega for the cupcakes. Thanks especially for the board members that offered their help making tonight and a successful 2023 possible. Thanks too to the Village for the use of the Event Center and all the work they've done through the year.

Secretary Report: Terry read the previous year's annual minutes from February 15, 2023. No changes to be made. Annie motioned to approve, Duane seconds. No discussion. All in favor. Motion passed. Terry thanked Erica R. for keeping good records.

Report of the President: Festival was a success this year. Huge thank you to Sheila McBride and the Farmer's committee for a successful year. It could not have been accomplished without them. Terry and Erica R. coordinated parade activities. Ticket Sellers sold \$5 raffle tickets while events took place. The Farmer's Summerfest Committee did a wonderful job putting on the event. This year was the 1st year implementation of online registration for Summerfest events. Online registrations turned out to be very successful. Online registration for 2023 events will help us send out event information to participants about events coming in 2024. We are actively looking for volunteers for Farmers' Fest and other events.

Terry went over the tentative events schedule for 2024. A start date of May 17 was documented for the Farmers' Market. Cabin Fever will also be rescheduled for sometime in March or April. Discussion was had on the various events. Shelia will continue to be the chairperson for the Farmer's Festival. However Sheila was unable to attend tonight.

Treasurer Report: Erica Kish took over this year as treasurer. Emily Nichols from Nietzke & Faupel, PC moved in November and will be replaced in 2024 with Derek Drabek. Dues are starting to come in and Erica R. will send out sign up forms in February. More money came in this year than last. Terry explained Pigeon monies and how we use them to drive money back into Chamber businesses. Terry went over the entire report with us. No changes were made. Erica R motioned to approve the treasurer's report, Annie seconded. No discussion. All in favor. Motion passed.

Board Reorganization & Election of Officers

Officers:

President-Terry Brown-Agri-Valley Services

Vice President-Lynn Polega-A & D Home Health & Hospice Care

Secretary-Erica Reif-Agri-Valley Services

Assistant Secretary-Michelle Shaw-Bay Port State Bank

Treasurer-Erica Kish-North Star Bank

Assistant Treasurer-Emily Nichols-Nietzke & Faupel

Election of Board of Directors (No less than 9 or more than 15):

Nominations for Board of Directors for 2024

- Amy Guster – 2 yr
- Anne Eichler –2 yr
- Duane Wurst – expiring
- Erica Kish – 1 yr
- Michelle Shaw – 1 yr
- Kathy McQueen – expiring
- Kim Klein – 1 yr
- Lynn Polega - 2 yr
- Emily Nichols - moved
- Paulette Mancuso – expiring
- Sheila McBride –2 yr
- Terry Brown – expiring
- Erica Reif - 3 yr

Nominations for new Board of Directors for 2024 for 3 year term:

- Duane Wurst- 3 yr
- Erica Reif- 3 yr
- Kathy McQueen- 3yr
- Thumb Bank TBD-3yr
- Paulette Mancuso- 3yr
- Derek Drabek- 2yr
- Logan Richmond- 3yr

Terry mentioned we need directors, no less than we already have. Terry commented on the experienced directors expiring. Terry also commented that there will need to be new positions for officers. Duane nominated the slate of Board of Directors. Duane motions to approve the slate of the Board of Directors, Lisa seconds. No discussion. All in favor. Motion passed.

Other Business: Next monthly Chamber meeting is Wednesday, February 14, 2024, at noon at the AVS office. We will decide who takes leadership of the officers at the meeting.

Adjournment: Terry thanked everyone once again for attending the meeting. A motion to adjour the meeting was made by Erica R. and supported by Kathy. No discussion. All in favor. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned 6:08pm.