

**Pigeon Chamber of Commerce  
Board Meeting Minutes  
November 6, 2019**

**Present-** Terry Brown, Karen Phillips, Shelly Gunden, Lynn Polega, Lori Kemp, James Childs, and Kathy McQueen.

Terry called the meeting to order at 12:05 pm.

**Secretary's Report-**September's minutes were reviewed and no changes to be made. Lynn motions to approve the October's minutes; Shelly seconds. All in favor.

**Treasurer's Report-**Lori discussed the report. No changes to be made. Karen motions to approve the October's report; Shelly seconds. All in favor.

**Bills-**\$17.15 to Pigeon Family Market for paper toweling for Fall Harvest bean soup. \$110.00 to Thumb Bank & Trust to reimburse the postage for Chamber dues letters that were mailed.

\$101.00 to Main Street Café & Bakery for the meeting luncheon.

Karen motions to approve the above expenses; Lynn seconds. All in favor.

\$124.00 to The View for an add for Pigeon Town Lighting. There was discussion. Lynn motions to approve to pay the View; Lori seconds. All in favor. The View will bill the Chamber later.

\$92.22 to Bill Esch for the purchase of 2020 Membership stickers. Lori motions to approve to pay Bill Esch for the 2020 membership stickers; Lynn seconds. All in favor.

### **Old Business**

#### **Spotlighting Chamber Members**

Amy's and Haist Flowers & Gifts were picked for the month of October.

Thumb Area Road Testing and Bad Axe Pest Control were picked for the month of November.

#### **Fall Harvest Bean Soup and Bake Sale-October 4, 2019**

Donations of \$563.78 was collected when serving the bean soup. Bake sale donations from various businesses totaled \$970.75. All donations went to the Laker Giving Tree in the amount of \$1,534.53. A thank you note was received from the Laker Giving Tree.

#### **Scarecrow Contest (Super Hero Theme)**

Judging was October 11, 2019

First place winner was A & D Home Health Care.

Second place winner was Pigeon Dental.

Third place winner was Scheurer Hospital.

Next year promote the town residents to be involved by placing an insert in the Pigeon Village water bills.

### **Cross Lutheran Fashion Show-October 6, 2019**

Good turnout.

### **Trunk and Treat-Thursday, October 31, 2019**

Due to the weather being cold and rainy, the trunk and treat was held in the Pigeon Event Center. It was well attended with approximately 500 children.

James Childs from the Champagne Funeral Home offered to host it next year in his parking lot. He will have 70 parking spaces available plus it allows the children to continue trick or treating around the town.

Discussion of time and date for future Chamber trunk and treats.

Tabled to next month when Sheila is here to discuss it.

### **Discussion with Pigeon Business Owner**

Terry asked James Childs from Champagne Funeral Chapel as a new Pigeon business owner how things were going. James said business is going well. The cornstalks were very nice throughout the town. He discussed our Chamber membership dues and suggestions. In relationship to the funeral home James said it has minimal input in his business. He also welcomed the Chamber to cater lunch for one of our meetings at his facility in the funeral home. We all welcomed his input and ideas.

### **Community Float for Parades**

Ken's PJ Trailer Dealer bid \$4,500.00 plus sales tax. The specs we are looking for is a medium 20 ft. deck L6 trailer with 2 5/16 adjustable hitch and 5,200 lb. spring axle.

Other bids are welcome. Towline Trailers in Vassar didn't respond with a quote.

Float needs to be ready for summer 2020 so the trailer should be purchased in January 2020. Open to designing float ideas or additional trailer bids. Tabled to next month.

James Childs suggested he would be willing to pull our float next year with one of his woody wagons.

### **Welcome Packages to New Residents**

Work in progress.

### **New Business**

#### **Laker Giving Tree**

No event this year.

### **November Kick-Off to Giving/Town Lighting with Thumb Bank & Trust Friday, November 29, 2019**

Lori requested the Chamber to donate \$200.00 for gifts as last year. Karen motions to approve \$200 donation for teen prizes for the Pigeon Town Lighting drawings; Shelly seconds. All in favor.

Some discussion on Santa and Mrs. Claus Lori wasn't sure if they were asked yet.

In reference to the adult drawings, business donations would be appreciated.

Shelly has already the children prizes from Harjo's Ben Franklin.

Jenny from Turner Arts will have a special event from 10 am to 5 pm with arts, crafts, and face painting. She will also let kids paint an ornament for \$6.00.

**Women's Club Gingerbread Brunch-Pigeon Library-** December 4, 2019, from 11-2 pm.

Kathy discussed there will be vendors, crafts, bake sale, and \$15 brunch.

**Other Business**

None.

**Next scheduled Board meeting will be held Wednesday, December 4, 2019, at 8 am at the Village Hall.**

**Meeting adjourned at 1:13 pm.**