

**Pigeon Chamber of Commerce  
Zoom Board Meeting Minutes  
January 12, 2022**

**Present-** Terry Brown, Karen Phillips, Natasha Golder, Lori Kemp, Lynn Polega, and Duane Wurst.

Terry called the meeting to order at 12:02 pm.

**Secretary's Report-**December's minutes was reviewed. No corrections need to be made. Natasha motion to approve the December's minutes, Lori seconds. No discussion. All in favor.

**Bills to Pay**

State of Michigan \$25.00 for the liquor license application for the Winsor Fire Department requested by the Farmer's Summerfest Committee  
WLEW \$60.29 remaining balance for advertising for October, November, and December's bills

Lori Kemp \$23.32 to reimburse for the purchase of a tote to hold extra children's gifts for next year Santa's visit

Karen motion to pay the above bills, Lynn seconds. No discussion. All in favor.

**Treasurer's Report-**There was discussion that Natasha is taking on increased responsibilities at work, so she needs to do the Chamber's treasurer report and duties on her own time. Natasha will get a supply of checks to Lori so she can issue them. Lori said she will have someone replace her from Thumb Bank to continue doing the treasurer's duties since the accounts are at Thumb Bank. December's treasurer's report was reviewed. Karen motion to approve the December's treasurer report, Lynn seconds. No discussion. All in favor.

**New Business**

**Annual Meeting-Wednesday, January 26, 2022, at 6 pm**

There was discussion about having a Zoom meeting. Terry will send an email out to everyone with the Zoom link. Lori will not be attending because

she is on vacation. Lynn motion to approve the annual meeting by Zoom on January 26<sup>th</sup> on 6 pm, Natasha seconds. No discussion. All in favor. Karen will email the minutes from last year's annual meeting to everyone. Natasha will email the annual treasurer's report.

### **Farmer's Summerfest Committee**

Linda Walsh called Terry and said they need more volunteers. Sheila needs entertainment ideas-send her an email with suggestions. Farmer's Summerfest has moved back a week to July 21st to July 24th. There was discussion of various ideas so far and the parade marshals. Lynn motion to have John and Linda Walsh as the parade marshals, Lori seconds. No discussion. All in favor.

### **Volunteer Forms**

Terry worked with Chris on our website and Whitney on our Facebook with adding the new online volunteer forms include all the Chamber activities. This will promote citizens and businesses to volunteer for the Chamber.

### **New Board Members**

There was discussion. Lori will reach out to the Pigeon Cooperative Elevator and the Bailey Insurance Agency for new members. Terry discussed taking a list of the Chamber events for the year and making one person in charge of each event and then follow the event through. Karen said she will also have a replacement, Michelle Shaw, and she is willing to be an asst. secretary since she is new to the Chamber. There was discussion of volunteers. Terry commented on how well the Farmer's Summerfest went over, the Farmer's Market grew, and the Chamber Board members for a job well done even during COVID.

### **List of Chamber Members**

Lori emailed a list of members. The members highlighted in yellow have paid their 2022 annual dues. There was discussion. Lori said last year we collected \$11,000 in annual dues and so far this year we collected \$9,150. Lori will send out reminders for 2022 annual dues to the Chamber members.

### **Old Business**

#### **Float/Trailer**

There was discussion to leave alone this year especially with COVID and no additional volunteers. Lori reminded us with the Pigeon Rotary they gave us

\$500 towards the purchase of a new trailer for the float if we don't purchase one, we will need to give them back their monies.

### **Santa's Visit held on Saturday, December 11, 2021**

Lori said there were seventy-five children's tags given out. The weather was not cooperating. They still had a good turnout. There was discussion on volunteers.

### **Huron County Toy for Tots**

Karen said there was over 420 children that received Christmas presents this year. There were generous donations and gifts received this past year so we could help additional children.

### **Laker's Giving Tree**

Lori said there was over 224 children that received Christmas presents this year from generous donations.

### **Christmas Market held on Saturday, December 11, 2021**

Duane said the vendors are wondering if we would do anything in the spring of this year at the Pigeon Event Center. The center holds thirty vendors. He would like to do a vendor show and bring in food trucks. There was discussion.

### **Resident Town House/Business Lighting Contest held on Wednesday, December 15, 2021**

There was discussion. The judges said the Pigeon community and the businesses were lit up. Pigeon monies were awarded as follows: residential first place winner was Trevor and Kristy Carriveau, second place Doug and Michelle Richmond, and third place Tim and Jessica Bruce. Business winners were first place Scheurer Hospital, second place Pigeon Hardware, and third place Haist's Flowers.

### **Event Calendar Updates**

January 26, 2022 Annual Zoom Chamber Meeting  
July 21-24, 2022 Farmer's Summerfest

These events are all tentative depending on the future CDC guidelines for the health and safety of our community relating to outdoor group gatherings.

## **Other Business**

### **Board Membership to present at 2022 Annual Meeting**

Amy Guster – 1 yr.  
Annie Eichler – 1 yr.  
Duane Wurst – 2 yrs.  
Esther Hill - Expiring  
Karen Phillips – Expiring  
Kathy McQueen – 2 yrs.  
Kim Klein – 2 yrs.  
Lori Kemp – Expiring  
Lynn Polega – 1 yr.  
Natasha Golder – 2 yrs.  
Paulette Mancuso – 2 yrs.  
Sheila McBride – 1 yr.  
Terry Brown – 2 yrs.

**Reminder our meetings are the 2nd Wednesday of each month. The next scheduled Zoom board meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 9th, 2022, at noon.**

**Meeting adjourned at 1:08 pm.**