

Board of Directors Meeting
Tuesday, March 11, 2014
12:00 Noon ~ City Hall

Members Present: Matt Friesen, Brad Best, Don Norris, Mike Wall, Milf Doell, Alan Janzen, Tim Carr

I. BOARD MEETING

The meeting was called to order by President Wall at 12:02 p.m.

II. BOARD MINUTES

A motion was made by Alan to approve the minutes from the February 11 meeting and a second was given by Brad. Motion carried.

III. TREASURER'S REPORT

The treasurer's report was presented for February. Matt moved to approve the treasurer's report and Don seconded the motion. Motion carried. Alan commented that the pre-tax reimbursement for health insurance is no longer legal under the Affordable Care Act. Kelsey will check with the accountant and do some research on this and will report next month.

IV. OLD BUSINESS

The results from the Home Show were reviewed from the vendor perspective. Some ideas included keeping the breakfast from 7:30-9am. Adding additional help at the breakfast or a separate clean up crew since most people left for this part. We need to start a 30 cup coffee pot first thing in the morning because it takes a long time for the 100 cup coffee pot and we almost didn't have it ready in time. We will also have to increase our sausage order since we ran out. It was also discussed about what our goals for this event are. Do we need to continue until 2 pm if most of the people and vendors want to be gone by 1pm? If we keep the same end time, it is important to have some type of entertainment at 1 pm to attract people to the event in the afternoon. Different ideas are dance groups, taekwondo performances or piano recitals.

So far the membership drive is going well. At this point Service Press has joined at the business rate, opposed to the corporate rate, that they have been at in previous years. Prairie Oasis is under new ownership and is not interested in renewing their membership at this time.

The new Chamber Bucks design was presented. The old style of Chamber Bucks will be accepted until the end of the year and then they will be discontinued.

V. NEW BUSINESS

It was decided that the theme for Henderson Community Days will be Christmas in July. Kelsey will use this when she applies for an advertising grant from the YCVB.

Due to time, discussion about a new Chamber logo was moved to next months meeting.

It was decided that the Chamber newsletter will only be sent out by email. Kelsey will try to compile all of the members emails that she doesn't have, so everyone is included.

The Business Bootcamp for March 12 at this point has 15 people planning to attend. Kelsey will give a report on the event at next months meeting.

It was decided that Kelsey will see if someone from the NRD will come to the March chamber meeting to speak about the upcoming water allocations they are proposing on farmers in that area. If the allocations do take effect, there will be an indirect affect on all businesses and organizations in the community. The March Chamber meeting will be held at Northern Agri-Services.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned by President Wall at 1:05 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted
Kelsey Bergen, Executive Director

Henderson Chamber of Commerce

Northern Ag 12:00 p.m.

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President Mike Wall called the meeting to order and Andrea Wall gave a blessing for the meal.

Minutes for the February 24, 2014 meeting were presented for approval .Matt Friesen made a motion to accept the minutes Taylor Siebert seconded the motion, there was no further discussion, motion carried.

Kelsey Bergen presented the Treasurer's report Steve Michel made a motion to accept the report, Bill Bamesberger seconded the motion, there was no further discussion, motion carried.

Announcements:

Kelsey Bergen reported that the Chamber newsletter will now be sent out in a new formatted email that will be able to be monitored by the Chamber Director. Kelsey reported the theme for Community Days will be Christmas in July. Chamber members were invited to ribbon a cutting ceremony held at Custom Wood Products after the meeting to congratulate Mike Wall as the new owner.

Bill Bamesberger introduced his guest Luke Haidle. Luke is the pastor of the MB Church.

James Mestl reported that the investment group will be looking into buying the vacant gas station building on the North side of the Interstate and anyone interested in investing should contact one of the Investment members.

Community Report:

City: Ken Bergen reported on Main Street and the Providence addition.

School: Brad Best reported that there are only six weeks of School left and that Chamber members were welcome to stop by the Office and tour the School building.

County: Bill Bamesberger reported on the six million bond projects including new bridges and road projects. Bill reported that there were three Commissioners up for reelection and that he will be running again and would appreciate everyone's vote.

Sponsor Report:

Jill Robertson reported that Northern Ag Service was proud to be part of the Henderson Chamber and thanked everyone for attending. Jill mentioned that they have expanded their sales line along with water meters and other Ag products she then introduced Dave Lynn Northern Ag and Production Ag owner. Dave Lynn reported that Production Ag and Northern Ag will be merging and Jill will manage both businesses.

Presentation: Rod DeBuhr from the Natural Resource District (NRD) in York gave a presentation on current water issues describing how future water restrictions would affect our Cities, Villages and Farming Communities. Rod presented graphs detailing the York County water consumption over the last seven years. Rod explained the long term goals for the NRD and presented the changes in regulations that would affect County water users if the ground water fell below the 1978 benchmark levels.

There being no further business Meeting Adjourned.

Secretary

Matt Friesen

	<u>Mar 31, 14</u>	<u>Mar 31, 13</u>	<u>\$ Change</u>
ASSETS			
Current Assets			
Checking/Savings			
Checking - HSB	8,701.05	12,867.01	-4,165.96
Checking - Marketing Plan	3,585.00	3,585.00	0.00
City Rec Duck Derby	0.00	349.10	-349.10
Cornerstone CD	19,267.39	19,267.39	0.00
JOBS Grant - Henderson State	16,762.25	20,363.05	-3,600.80
MMA - Henderson State	8,302.12	8,289.60	12.52
Petty Cash	79.72	79.72	0.00
Q125	7,009.71	7,009.71	0.00
Savings - Cornerstone	225.84	915.55	-689.71
Total Checking/Savings	<u>63,933.08</u>	<u>72,726.13</u>	<u>-8,793.05</u>