

Barron Chamber of Commerce Minutes

August 17, 2023

In Attendance : Melissa Gillett, Lori Miller, Angie Buckley, Ann Matheny, Janette Bensen, Mike Nielsen, Jamie Edwards, Kelly Thompson, Pat Thornby

Meeting Led By: Melissa Gillett

Minutes: July minutes were presented and reviewed for approval. Motion made by Ann Matheny to approve minutes, seconded by Mike Nielsen, motion carried.

Financial Statement: July financial statement was presented and reviewed for approval. Motion made by Ann Matheny to approve financial statement, seconded by Jamie Edwards, motion carried.

Committee Reports:

Annual Meeting – Nothing to present.

Festival Events - Tourism Event to be held in February with Tourism paying all bills and Chamber Hosting. A Meeting is being organized to call all groups involved together. Talk of more kids' activities and longer Sleigh rides.

Music in the Park – Last one is approaching. All have had good attendance this year.

Retail Promotions - Halloween Trunk or Treat planning is under way Mike Nielsen presented that the first meeting was held 8/14. Care Facilities will be added with incentives for kids to get there. There will be a best trunk and best costume award. It will be held October 28th from 10am to Noon with Crafts until 2.

- Thanksgiving Fall Decorating planning under way. Businesses will be invited to decorate in mid-September.
- Thanksgiving Meals in Bags. We will once again be giving away 4-5 bagged Thanksgiving Meals. Boxes for the drawings will be around town at any business that would like to have one.

Young Ambassadors – Young ambassadors have several summer parades coming up. The magnets were ordered, and the ambassadors have them. They will be invited to attend the Beer, Wine and food tasting event, Music in the Park, Trunk or Treat Event.

Follow-Up – Sensible Solutions will be holding an event September 30th. SSCC Self Care Saturday. They are asking the Chamber to participate with a table to promote Chamber events. Chamber is looking to see if there is anyone available to man that table.

Meeting Adjourned at 1:20pm!

Angie Buckley