**MINUTES**

**ROSE HILL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE**

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY MEETING**

**12:00 PM, THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2017**

**CALL TO ORDER:**

The General Assembly Meeting was called to order by President Jason Jones and held at The Rose Room on Thursday, November 16, 2017 at 12:00 pm. Other members present were: Brandon Pope, Boyd Pope, Gerald Amato, Vernon Hammond, Teressa Hammond, Sandy Collins, Kathy Xenos, Steve Huckaby, Chris Wendt, Mia Lee, Kelsey Shackelford, Randal Chickadonz, Deron Lock, Dave Miller and Christina Zenner.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Minutes from the August 2017 General Assembly meeting were presented. Christina Zenner moved to approve as presented. Chris Wendt seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

**TREASURER’S REPORT:**

Treasurer’s report was unavailable. Tabled until a future meeting.

**WEBSITE REPORT:**

Mia Lee showed members the new folders recently ordered and purchased for the Chamber. The folders will be used to hand out to potential or new members with information about the Chamber. Current sponsors on the website are The Rose Hill Veterinary Health Center, Lee Media Group and Butler Community College. Mia encouraged members to become a sponsor and reminded them that when they sign up for 12 months they get one free. Mia reminded everyone that as a Chamber Member they are eligible to host a Chamber Mixer. Christina mentioned she had spoken with The Rose Hill Veterinary Health Center and might be scheduling a mixer in January. The website has received 2500 page views this month.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Mayor Elect Steve Huckaby spoke to the Chamber. He shared that, as mayor, first, he wanted to make sure there was an opportunity for the citizen’s voice to be heard at City Council meetings and to restore a mayor’s office at City Hall to have a designated place to meet with citizens. Steve also stated that he plans to work with the current mayor to begin the search for a replacement for City Administrator Austin Gilley.

Chamber Business of the Month – The November Business of the Month is Red Line Auto Repair. Mia played the video for the members and reminded everyone that the Chamber draws from the names of people who attend Chamber Mixers to choose the Business of the Month.

Nominating Committee – Jason asked if, in addition to Teressa Hammond, anyone else would be willing to be a part of the committee and Dave Miller volunteered. Jason shared that the board is considering returning the numbers from 10 to 9 members for an odd number and to let the Nominating Committee know if you are interested in a board position.

Chamber Fall Fest Recap –

BBQ – Christina Zenner shared that the BBQ this year was a great success. The new location and People’s Choice Award were a big hit with 130 people from the public attending. She thanked sponsors Viking, Emprise, Auto Body and Walnut Valley.

Photo Contest – Aubry was not present to give and update, but Jason shared that there were 43 entries, which was good for the first year and that there were categories for Kids and Adults. The winners are displayed at Emprise Bank in Rose Hill.

Car Show – Jason shared that they gave away 40 plaques and that next year, the Car Show’s 30th year, would be his last year coordinating the event. He plans to hand it over to Auto Body. Next year he plans to have a bigger event to celebrate 30 years and thank all the volunteers.

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

Chris Wendt spoke about Hometown Christmas, which is Saturday, December 9th this year, and said that they are challenging businesses to get involved in the Parade of Lights. The parade has not had a great turnout in recent years and they are looking to improve it. Chris shared the list of events for Hometown Christmas and that sign up forms are on the Facebook page.

Chris asked if the Chamber would donate $300 Chamber Bucks for the Hometown Christmas. Boyd Pope made a motion and Mia seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Jason made a motion to adjourn. Dave seconded. The meeting was adjourned. Next General Assembly will be on January 18th.

Respectfully Submitted:

Christina Zenner, Board Member filling in for Aubry Dieter, Secretary

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