

August 29, 2016 Member Minutes
Shelby Area Chamber of Commerce

Members present: Doug Fender, Cheri Hirst, Sara Brown, Wilma Steiner, Lorette Carter, Allan Underdal, Mike O'Brien, Ashley Kolve and Crissy Bauman

REPORTS:

City of Shelby

- The Shelby City Council will hold a public hearing and adoption of the 2016-2017 budgets. The meeting begins at 7:30pm at Shelby City Hall.
- The sidewalk work is wrapping up soon. Contractors are waiting on the railing that will be installed at several locations along the west end of Main Street where ramps have been installed.
- The Office of Community Development continues to distribute a rental property list for new people coming to Shelby. If you would like to receive the list, please contact Lorette at shbcdc@3rivers.net.
- The Shelby School District #14 Safe Routes to School Walk N' Wheel Wednesdays and Fit Fridays will begin Wednesday, September 7th and Friday, September 9th. During the month of September, Sheriff Whitt and her deputies will walk with the kids as their schedules allow.
- Work continues on the Data Center Feasibility Study.
- We are awaiting word on the CDBG-Economic Development grant application for utility extension to Humic Growth Solutions. The State Department of Commerce has been waiting on their Federal funding.
- We are also awaiting word on the CDBG Job Creation application written by Sweetgrass Development on behalf of Humic Growth for job creation dollars to assist in the final build.
- We have updated the "Find Yourself Doing Business in Shelby" brochure. If you would like a brochure, please contact Lorette at shbcdc@3rivers.net.
- The Shelby Recycling Association will meet at noon at Pizza Hut on Wednesday, September 7th.
- The Shelby~ Toole County Community Transportation Safety Committee/DUI Task Force will meet Thursday, September 15th at 10:00am at Shelby City Hall. Lorette will represent the group at the Community Engagement Conference September 19-21st in Anaconda.
- The Toole County Combined Fund Drive kick-off meeting will be Monday, Sept. 19 at 6:30pm at the Marias River Electric hospitality room. If you have an organization represented through the fund drive you must be present at this meeting.
- The Shelby Area Chamber/Shelby TBID Social Media Committee is celebrating fall with two campaigns. The September campaign is "Rock this School Year!" and the fall campaign is "I Love Shelby..." We are looking for fun back to school photos, sports shots, and hot lunch...whatever helps you to rock this school year. The "I Love Shelby" campaign is looking for individuals who will post why they love Shelby. We will use

these posts on Facebook as well as under our “relocation” tab on the Chamber webpage. We hope you might offer a short video or picture telling why you love Shelby.

Toole County

- The Toole County Health Foundation Golf Tournament was held last Saturday. Proceeds from the tournament will go to the chemo infusion program. Dr. Martin with Benefis/Sletten Cancer Center is working at getting this program operational. This would serve the area from Browning to Chester.
- The hospital is looking into updating the MRI.
- The Commissioners attended the district meeting of MACo in Fort Benton where the possible bills for the upcoming 2017 legislative sessions were discussed.
- Culvert replacement is being done on some of the county roads.
- A resolution for Dr. Stanchfield recognizing his 44 years of service will be placed in the emergency entrance area.
- The Department of Revenue made a \$64000 error on the Toole County revenue value.
- The County is waiting to hear if an agreement has been made with NaturEner in regards to their property taxes.

CCA

- The Department of Justice will no longer be housing their prisoners in private prisons. This does not affect the US Marshalls contract for their prisoners who are housed at CCA.

NEW BUSINESS:

Sept. Meeting locations: Our Monday Member Meetings will be at Ten Pin Alley. Our Sept. 6th Board Meeting will be at The County Skillet.

Labor Day- There will not be a Member Meeting on Monday, September 5 due to the Labor Day holiday.

Guest Speaker/Sept. 12- Kathy Bagley will be discussing the Hi-Line Arts Trail Projects. (Please see attachment)

Business of the Week: Cedar Closet, located on Main Street in Shelby, is a resale shop run entirely by MMC Auxiliary volunteers Tues-Fri: 10am-3pm & Sat: 10am-2pm! Donate your used items & clothing to this local charity! 100% of all proceeds raised remain within our local community to impact our current & future health needs! Supporting the Auxiliary assures that the tradition of excellent healthcare will continue for our patients & their families for future generations! Shop! Donate! Volunteer! Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/Cedar-Closet-447434388632177/>

Kudos of the Week: Lorette thanked all the local businesses for their patience during the recent sidewalk project.

OPEN FORUM:

Ashley reminded us of the upcoming Shelby Brewfest on Sept. 17 at the 4-H Exhibit Building at the fairgrounds. (Please see attachment)

Toole County Friends of the Library will host the Humanities Montana Speakers Bureau Program *The Explorations and Discoveries of George Bird Grinnell, Father of Glacier National Park* on August 30th, 2016 at 7 p.m. The Program will be presented in the Parish Hall in St. Luke's Lutheran Church, 222 2nd Ave South, Shelby, Montana (across from the Toole County Library). The presentation is free and open to the public. Partial funding for the Speakers Bureau Program is provided by a legislative grant from Montana's Cultural Trust and the National Endowment for the Humanities. The speaker is Hugh Grinnell of Tucson, Arizona. He received his bachelor's and master's degrees from the University of Arizona. He is a distant cousin of George Bird Grinnell and has thoroughly researched the historical legacy of the naturalist and explorer who would later be known as the father of Glacier National Park.

Meeting adjourned. Reported by Audie Bancroft.

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