

January 9th, 2017 Member Meeting Minutes
Shelby Area Chamber of Commerce

Members present: Doug Fender, Cheri Hirst, Ashley Kolve, Mike O'Brien, Lorette Carter, Cindy Combs, Elliott Crump, Deb Brandon, Mary Ann Harwood and Locke Mellott

REPORTS:

City of Shelby

- Representative Rob Cook is introducing HB159.01 this week to designate the Shelby Veteran's Memorial Flag Monument as a Montana Veteran's Memorial. The act would allow the Department of Transportation and Commerce to identify the Memorial on official state maps.
- The Social Media Committee will meet Tuesday, January 10th at noon at El Tanampa.
- The Shelby Recycling Association will meet Wednesday, January 11th at noon at Pizza Hut.
- The Toole County Community Foundation will meet Tuesday, January 10th at 6:00pm at Marias River Electric Cooperative Hospitality Room.
- The Shelby TBID will meet January 17th at 10:00am at the Comfort Inn.
- The Shelby ~ Toole County Community Transportation Safety Committee/DUI Task Force will meet January 19th at 10:00 am at City Hall.
- The City is finalizing the Data Center Feasibility Study to close out this grant opportunity.
- The City is beginning work on another Transportation Alternatives grant opportunity through MDT. The application will be for continued ADA sidewalk work on Main Street.
- The City is also beginning work on a Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks Urban Trail grant.
- The City is completing the final reporting for the Montana Land Information Act grant which allowed the City to purchase equipment to complete the mapping of city water, sewer and storm water infrastructure.
- The City has been named Montana's 2017 Tree City of the Year. We are beginning plans for the Arbor Day celebration, Friday April 29th. We will have a presentation in City Park with the Governor or a representative in attendance. We will also continue our request for clean up within the City and encourage tree planting within our community.

Toole County

- Commissioner Deb Brandon introduced new Commissioner Mary Ann Harwood to everyone.
- A reception was held for Allan Underdal on Dec. 30 for recognition of his 24 years as Toole County Commissioner and it was well attended by the community.
- Four resolutions were passed at last Thursday's meeting:
 1. Deb Brandon was elected Chairman and Joe Pehan is Vice Chair.
 2. Meeting dates are Monday and Thursday at 10 am
 3. Travel and per diem rates were set for County employees.
 4. Commissioners were appointed to various committees.
- The Airport Board meets on Tuesday, Jan. 17 at 7 pm at Ringside Ribs.

- The Commissioner's will be attending the Healthy Toole County meeting on Thursday at 10 am.
- Lorette asked if it would be possible to have an evening commissioner's meeting in Shelby or Sunburst meeting.

School District #14

- In December the Music Programs were broadcasted for those community members who could not attend.
- The Junior High students decorated a Christmas tree for the museum's Holiday Open House and won "People's Choice" for their amazing tree.
- On January 4th the Elementary School had kick-off MBI assembly titled "Be Positive"
- The Snowball Winter Wonderland Dance hosted by the Freshman Class on January 7th.
- The following is a list of events for January, February and March 2017:
 - ~ Jan. 11-12- Semester Exams
 - ~ Jan. 16- No school/ Martin Luther King holiday/PD
 - ~ Jan. 17- Second semester JH/HS
 - ~ Jan. 20- 8th grade ski trip to Teton Pass
 - ~ Jan. 23- Start auditions for the school play
 - ~ Jan. 27 & 28- Speech and Drama State in Havre
 - ~ Jan. (no date scheduled yet) - Student Council meets with Mayor and City Council
 - ~ Feb. 4- Divisional Wrestling meet in Shelby
 - ~ Feb. 10-11- State Wrestling Meet in billings
 - ~ March- Science Fair- Junior High students have been begun planning and researching Science Fair projects

Marias Medical Center/Heritage Center

- There was a good turnout from the community for Dr. Curtis' Open House. Dr. Curtis is now seeing patients.
- Tracy Richman is the new Utilization Receiver and cardiac Nurse and will also continue delivering babies.
- Julia Drishinski is back at the facility as Risk Management & Safety Director.
- A new Director of Nursing will begin the end of January.
- The facility will be posting the Radiology director position soon.
- Plans are ongoing for the chemo infusion program but it is likely not to be available for another year. The Tree auction in December raised about \$16,000 for the chemo infusion program.
- The Care Connection newsletter will go out on Feb. 1st.

Core Civic/ CCA

- Warden Fender met with Harry Benjamin last week in regards to painting the horses for the carousel that will go into City Park.
- A new nurse practitioner will begin March 9th at the facility.
- Kathy Water from Malta has been hired as the new LCPC.

Merchants Association will have their next monthly meeting on January 17 at 8 am at The Griddle

OLD BUSINESS:

January Chamber After Hours is Wednesday, January 11 from 5:30 to 7 pm at TD &H Engineering and KW Insurance at 1125 Oilfield Avenue.

NEW BUSINESS:

Chamber Banquet is scheduled for Wednesday, February 8th at the Shelby Civic Center. Tickets are now available from Chamber Board Members and the Chamber office and are \$35 which includes a drink ticket along with the dinner. The meal is beef brisket, chicken hind quarters, salad, baked potatoes, southern fried corn, dinner roll and banana pudding. Clem Pellett is our speaker and will tell the story of how he went from being a prominent oral surgeon to being an investigator and hunter of the man who killed his grandfather. Clem will tell us this amazing story of passion, justice and family affirmation. The banquet will also include a silent and live auction.

No Meeting on Jan. 16 due to Martin Luther King federal holiday.

Labor Posters- Beware of the official looking mail notices concerning the necessity of purchasing 2017 Labor Law posters. The Shelby Employment Office provides them for FREE.

Business of the Week: Lee Law Office PC is a three attorney general practice law firm based out of Shelby, Montana. Our team of attorneys and support staff maintain a tradition of providing timely, high quality legal services tailor-fit to each of our client's individual needs. Our firm represents clients throughout the State of Montana on a wide array of legal matters. Our areas of practice include general civil litigation, business planning (corporations, LLC's and partnerships), estate planning, trusts and probate, real estate transactions (residential, commercial and agricultural), water rights, bankruptcy (creditor), oil and gas and more. Call us today to learn how we assist you in addressing your legal needs. [\(406\) 434-5244](tel:4064345244) or visit www.leelawofficepc.com.

Kudos of the Week

Audie thanked the State and City Crews for their snow removal efforts.

Lorette thanked the School District for providing the Coyote Vision which broadcasts the basketball games and music concerts for those who are unable to attend these events. Cheri will soon have raffle tickets to purchase for a new pickup to support Special Olympics.

Open Forum

Cheri wanted to make everyone aware of the Town Pump flyer in last week's Shelby Promoter concerning the availability of \$500,000 worth of grants for local fire departments.

Meeting adjourned. Reported by Audie Bancroft.

Featured Coupon from the new 2015 Chamber Bonus Book:

Ten Pin Alley- Free soft drink with the purchase of a pizza and \$5 for \$5 machine play/once a month for a calendar year

Buy a Chamber Bonus Coupon Book at Chamber office, Prairie Peddler, Larson Clothing, Spa 30 & Boutique