

July 17, 2017 Member Meeting Minutes Shelby Area Chamber of Commerce

The Shelby Area Chamber of Commerce serves to promote a positive business environment as a voice and resource in partnership with business, education, agriculture, civic and community organizations throughout Shelby and Toole County.

Members present: Doug Fender, Cheri Hirst, Marsha McCubbins, Crissy Bauman, Tom and Lorette Carter, Brent Madrid, Mike O'Brien and seven employees from CoreCivic Safety

REPORTS:

City of Shelby

- Second monthly meeting of the City Council is Monday, July 17 at 7:30 pm.
- The CDBG- Public Facilities grant for completion of another section of the storm water project has been submitted. There is no match requirement and the City has the larger project shown as the City's commitment to the project. Award notice will be later this fall.
- The Office of Community Development is helping the Carousel Committee with a grant application. A grant application will be sent to the Montana Office of Tourism this week.
- The Shelby Music & Market is every Thursday in Shelby City Park. The market runs from 4 – 7pm and the music starts at 7. Musicians performing include the following: July 20 ~ Dave & Gwen; July 27 ~ Rhonda Grainger; August 3 ~ Sally & Whitney Aschim; August 10 ~ Living Room; August 17 ~ Nelson Family; and August 24 ~ Dave & Gwen. We hope all the community turns out to support our local vendors and musicians.
- The Shelby Recycling Association is working with the Montana DEQ to host an E-Waste Collection Event. A date of August 18th has been tentatively set.
- A new group has been organized to complete beautification projects within our community. The Shelby Citizen Volunteer Corp will complete weekly improvements projects. The first gathering is Thursday, August 3rd beginning at 5:30. The group will be notified weekly where the cleanup/care project is and then meet at the location. We invite citizens of all ages to participate. School aged children are welcome to attend and volunteer service hours will be honored as part of their school requirements. Call or email Lorette Carter if you would like to be part of the Corp. (424-8799 or shbcdc@3rivers.net)
- The Social Media Committee continues to post to the Shelby Chamber Facebook page. Crissy Baumann highlights local amenities and encourages people to go to Trip Advisor to post reviews as this site is seen by many, many travelers. Lorette continues to post historic Shelby photos and history. If you have an idea of a new campaign, please contact Lorette Carter.

CoreCivic Safety

- The state auditors visited last week and found no major issues. They will be returning later this week for 2 days.
- The US Marshals audit is expected soon.
- Work is being done on the water softener at the facility.

- A request was made to the corporate office for 45 pine trees which would be planted alongside the road leading into the facility. This would help control the drifting snow in the winter and improve driving safety for employees.

Merchants Association

- The next meeting is Tuesday, July 18 at 8 am at The Griddle.

OLD BUSINESS:

Kiddie Parade/Marias Fair Parade/Judges/ Chairs- Audie has gotten enough volunteers for the Thursday Kiddie Parade. CoreCivic is providing manpower for the lineup for Saturday's parade. They are also providing chairs for the parade judges on the entryway to 1st State Bank. Our parade theme is "Proud of the Past, Building the Future." This year we have two groups for our Grand Marshals. The SHS Class of 1967 is having their 50th Class Reunion and they represent the past we are proud of. The SHS Future Farmers of America will be on horseback on the parade route and they represent those who are building the future.

2017 Street Fair is scheduled for Saturday, August 19 from 10 am to 3 pm with a Car Show, Art Walk, dunking booth, food and craft vendors. Kid's games include a fishing booth and several bean bag games, chalk art, bubble wands, football and basketball tosses. Stay tune for more details as the date nears. **(The vendor application is on attachment)**

NEW BUSINESS:

Fair Events:

- **Wednesday, July 19:** 4-H Interviews & Weigh-Ins
- **Thursday, July 20:** Pet & Doll Parade, 11:00 am 4-H Events, Exhibits, Vendors, Free Act, Kids Fun Zone & Amusement, Bull Riding and Boone Country Band
- **Friday, July 21:** 4-H Events, Exhibits, Vendors, Free Act, Kids Fun Zone & Amusement, Marias River Stampede and Divas Through the Decades
- **Saturday, July 22:** Marias Fair Parade, 11:00 am, 4-H Livestock Sale, Free Act, Kids Fun Zone & Amusement, Marias River Stampede and the Copper Mountain Band
- **Sunday, July 23:** 4-H Exhibits, Vendors, Free Act, Kids Fun Zone & Amusement, Demolition Derby and Fireworks
- There is free admission to all fair activities except for grandstand events.

Mose Zimmerman/Champions Park: The Champions Park Committee has ordered 6 benches for the park. Earlier this year the Zimmerman family donated \$1000 to the Shelby Area Chamber of Commerce. The Chamber Board of Directors voted to fund the purchase of one of the benches for the park. A plaque will be included on the bench with the following information that Mose's family wrote: *In memory of our great-grandfather, Mose Zimmerman, DOD, May 3, 1933, at the age of 68. Mose, a prominent horse trader from St. Paul, MN and landowner in Shelby, was a promoter of the World Championship Fight! Mose believed Shelby would someday become one of the great American crossroads!*

Kudos of the Week

Sanna thanked CoreCivic for providing inmate power for the fireworks cleanup after the 4th of July display.

Open Forum:

- Crissy suggested some items that could be included in the Welcome Packets for new residents. Crissy also encouraged people to utilize the Rural Montana booklet for advertising their events.
- The Kiwanis will not be hosting the Pancake Breakfast on Saturday due to lack of manpower.
- Harry Benjamin is having a contest for the design of a logo for the carousel with a prize of \$100.

Meeting adjourned. Reported by Audie Bancroft.

Featured Coupon from the new 2015 Chamber Bonus Book:

Cedar Closet: Buy 1 item, Get 2nd item of equal or lesser value for FREE (6 uses)

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