

September 24, 2018 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: Nea Rice, Cheri Hirst, Debbie Hallenberg, Crissy Bauman, and Lorette Carter.

Time and Meeting Place: Our September 24th meeting took place at Ten Pin Alley and was called to order at 12:10 pm.

REPORTS:

City of Shelby: Lorette Reported:

- The Shelby Parks & Rec Committee meets the last Monday of each month at the Shelby City Hall beginning at 6:30pm. All are welcome to attend.
- The Splash Park has now closed for the season. The City crew will be working on constructing the play structure in the park in the coming weeks.
- The picnic area has been completed along the Roadrunner Recreation Trail. This was funded through the MT Fish Wildlife & Parks Recreation Trails Program.
- United Materials will be back this week to complete paving projects within the community.
- The city crew is working on paved street manholes to bring them up to grade.
- International Walk to School Day is Wednesday, October 10th. The Shelby High School National Honor Society will be providing water and granola bars to students participating. The SHS Pep Band will also entertain the students as they arrive on the playground that morning. The City also offers a free afternoon at the Civic Center for the grade level with the largest percentage of participants.

Core Civic: CoreCivic is holding a Community Advisory Meeting Thursday, September 27th at Noon.

Merchants Association: Lorette attended their last meeting and reported that the following Items were discussed: Holiday Promotions, Homecoming Week, Street Cleaning, and Flower Watering. They also did a recap of the Art Walk during the Street Fair. They felt We had a good turnout. It was discussed that the vendors should be placed back-to-back in the center of Main Street next year.

OLD BUSINESS:

The Visitor Center tips will be used to help purchase the meals at the “End of Season Dinner” which will be held on October 5th at the Frontier. The VIC workers will pay for Any amount over \$140.00.

The updates to *The Milepost* were made and sent in last week.

NEW BUSINESS:

Montana’s Research Roadshow will be taking place Thursday, October 4th at noon at the SHS Auditorium. Various topics will be discussed including: “Honey Bee Health and Your Health”, “Opportunities From Scraps: Waste Oil to High Value Additives”, “A Pivot From Neurochemistry to Cancer”, “Monitoring Water Around Energy”, “Flavi

noids: A New Route to Designer Antioxidants and Anti-tumor Agents”, and “DNA Surgery for Curing Genetic Diseases”.

Refreshments for the Candidates Forum were brought up. It was suggested that Doreen Contact Albertson’s. They might make us a deal on cookies – and maybe they would join the Chamber too.

Flag Football may not be happening as it is getting rather late and no definite plans have been made.

Moonlight Madness Basketball: Locke Mellott and Doreen are meeting this Thursday to work out the details.

The Dues Letters for this year have been revised. There was discussion on making sure they are a little clearer. It was decided to leave out the “Nonvoting” part for the Individual and Non-profit Clubs & Organizations as the Board Members do all of the voting. It was also approved that we add “Non-Business Members” to the description of Individuals. We want to avoid any confusion for next year’s Enrollment.

It was decided that we start a Calendar of Events for 2019. We would like to include: The Kite Festival, Street Fair, Marias Fair, and Commissioners. We are waiting for the date of the Kite Festival, the Street Fair will be the first Saturday of August, the Marias Fair is the third Thursday through Sunday in July (but check with the County Commissioners for the exact date.) and the Christmas Stroll is the first Sunday of December. We will make sure this gets in the Central Montana Travel Planner and the 3 Rivers Events Calendar.

Kudos of the Week: To the SHS Coyotes Football and Volleyball Teams for their wins on Homecoming Weekend!

Open Forum: Cheri Hirst commented on the new Comfort Suites/Mainstay Suites property in Coeur d’Alene. She said it was absolutely beautiful!

Next Meeting: Our next Chamber Member Meeting will be October 15th at Noon at Pizza Hut.

Meeting adjourned at 12:58 pm. Reported by Doreen Mckelvey

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Comfort Inn & Suites: 20% off of a one night stay.

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