

January 28, 2019 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, Rebecca Austin, Ashley Kolve, Mike O'Brien, Erin Wanken, Crissy Bauman, Lorette Carter, Amy Clark, and Brent Madrid.

Time and Meeting Place: The meeting was held at Clark's Family Restaurant and was called to order at 12:05 pm.

REPORTS:

City of Shelby: Lorette Carter reported:

- The Parks & Rec Committee meets Monday, January 28th at 6:30 pm at Shelby City Hall.
- The Shelby Council meeting is Monday, February 4th at 6:30 pm at Shelby City Hall.
- The Shelby blood drive is scheduled for Thursday, January 31st at the Shelby Civic Center.
- Exercise classes at the Civic Center are as follows:
Monday and Wednesdays – exercise stations 4-6:00pm
Tuesdays – roller skating 4-6:00pm; spinning at 5:45pm and 7:00pm
Thursday – work out video at 5:15pm and yoga at 7:00pm
- The Montana Legislature is considering HB 14 – funding package for Treasure State Endowment Program projects which includes the Shelby water wellfield improvements project.
- The Toole County Combined Fund Drive continues to seek support for the 20 very worthwhile programs within the Fund Drive.
- The Toole County Community Foundation will meet for its annual meeting on Thursday, February 7th at 5:00pm at MRE hospitality room.

Marias Medical Center/Marias Heritage Center: Erin Wanken reported:

- They have a new resident at the Heritage Center, but still have one studio and one 1-bedroom apartment open.
- Jessica Brusven is the new Director at the Heritage Center.
- Judy Richman's retirement party was well-attended and very special.
- MMC will be doing MRI's three days per week starting in February.
- Lorette & Tom Carter were the winners of the first "Trip of the Month", and Deb Brandon won the cash prize.
- Pondera Medical Center is holding their "Taste of Pondera" event on Saturday, February 2nd.

Merchants Association: Lorette Carter reported:

- The Merchants are working on their "April Showers Calendar".

OLD BUSINESS:

- Doreen Mckelvey reported on her trip to the International Sportsman's Expo in Sacramento. It was fun, exhausting, and there was a surprising amount of interest in Central Montana! She and Gayle Fisher handed out 450 Central Montana Planners and about 75 Shelby Brochures.

NEW BUSINESS:

- The Coupon Books are at the Promoter. Doreen will pick them up. Erin offered to sell 10, and Becky will sell some also. Doreen mentioned her idea to have posters (at the businesses who have coupons in the book) advertising their coupon – and having some on hand to sell. She will email the Board for a vote on this idea.
- Our 2019 Enrollment is at 94. Crissy, Cheri, Becky and Doreen have been calling Members from last year who haven't sent in their Enrollment yet to remind them to get them in, so they will be on time for inclusion in the 2019 Directory.
- Election results for 2019 Officers were announced: President – Nea Rice, Vice President – Crissy Bauman, and Secretary/Treasurer – Jessica Brusven. We also have a new Board Member. Welcome to Amy Clark, and thanks for being on the Board!
- Ashley Kolve is busy planning the next Chamber After Hours – at the Best Western. Nea and Doreen offered to help with food preparation. Chocolate-covered strawberries are one item that will be on the menu.
- The Chamber Board still needs to set a date for the Chamber Banquet. Doreen will send out an email to get ideas for dates – and will follow up with an email to vote on the date.

Kudos of the Week:

- To Lorette & Tom Carter for buying a “Trip of the Month” ticket – and congratulations for winning the first trip drawing!
- To all the crews who were out plowing the roads after our recent snowstorm!
- To all of the Federal workers who worked without pay during the government shutdown!
- To the Food Bank for their donation of food to help out the Customs Officers during the shutdown.
- To the Next Generation Conference for bringing people to town!

Open Forum:

- Becky Austin announced that US Bank has a .01% Interest Rate Loan available to all Government workers who need help getting back on their feet after the Shutdown.

Next Meeting: February 11th at noon at Ten Pin Alley.

Meeting adjourned at:12:38 pm. Reported by Doreen Mckelvey