

February 25, 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: Saza Lee, Amy Clark, Lorette Carter, Ashley Kolve, Erin Wanken, Crissy Bauman, Nea Rice and Cheri Hirst

Time and Meeting Place: The Chamber met at Ten Pin Alley. The meeting was called to order at 12:12 pm.

REPORTS:

City of Shelby: Lorette Carter reported:

There will be a Park & Rec Meeting tonight (Feb 25) at 6:30 at City Hall. The City is asking that Commercial or Individual Snow Removers NOT push the snow into the street. This causes more congestion. Spring projects will be ramping up as soon as the weather allows.

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

The Heritage Center has two apartments available. Grants were received for manikins for CPR training and are being used at the monthly classes. February's Trip of the Month winners were Sally Aschim and Doug Vermulun. Kristy Aklestad's going away party was February 25 from 3-5 pm.

OLD BUSINESS:

Best Western's Chamber After Hours had a good turnout, the food and beverages were excellent, and it was a lot of fun! The owners were there as well as some of Best Western's guests. Nea and Doreen had a great time helping with the food.

NEW BUSINESS:

Coupon Books have been delivered to most of the businesses who are participating in the books as well as the Board Members who have agreed to sell them.

The **2019 Enrollment & Directory** are waiting for the last few businesses who want to enroll but haven't yet.

Chamber Banquet Update: We are waiting for quotes from the caterers. The application for the Special Permit to sell Beer and Table Wine is filled out. We're waiting for the insurance quote. When received, we can take the paperwork to the City Council Meeting for approval. It was decided to have J.B. Chandler do his "Toole County" presentation instead of having a speaker. Doreen will notify the Montana Chamber of Commerce about this decision.

Business Roundtable: Corey Stapleton will be here March 7 at noon at the Griddle. He would like to hear from business owners about what his office can do to help commerce thrive in Shelby, RSVP at the Chamber if you'd like to attend.

Chamber After Hours: Our next event will be hosted by KW Insurance and TD&H at 5:30 pm on March 13th (Wednesday).

Annual Meeting: Doreen presented the Annual Financial Report for 2018 as well as her Executive Director's Report. Our new Officers and Board Member were welcomed for 2019.

Kudos of the Week: To the TBID for donating \$5000 to the Carousel. Harry was very appreciative. He needs volunteers to help on Saturdays.

To Marias Medical Center and Dr. Hooker for taking such good care of Cheri's daughter's leg surgery. Cheri was impressed at how nice everyone at the hospital was.

THANK YOU to the Chamber for sending flowers to Sandra Bucher's funeral.

Open Forum: Toole County Conservation District is working on long range plans. They will be meeting March 12th at the Ambulance Barn.

Quilters: Get quilting supplies at the Creative Needle while they last.

Friends of the Library is helping bring the Montana Actors Guild Dinner Theater to the Coyote Club on March 29th and 30th. Please call or email Crissy Bauman after this event. She is looking for feedback, and is hoping to make this an annual event. Suggestions on how to improve this occasion would be appreciated. Tickets can be purchased at the Prairie Peddler and Fieldstone Office Supply, and they cost \$30 apiece.

130 students participated in the Band Festival in Sunburst the evening of February 25th.

Northern B Boys Divisional Basketball Tournaments will be held Thursday, Feb 28th through Saturday, March 2 at the Shelby High School Gym.

J.B. Chandler Slide Presentation: J.B. showed us a sample of the video slide show he will be showing at our Chamber Banquet this year. We were all impressed, and are looking forward to this very interesting and informative presentation as well as J.B's amazing photographs!

Next Meeting: Our next Member Meeting will be March 11th at noon at Pizza Hut.

Meeting adjourned at: 1:14 Reported by Doreen Mckelvey

Featured Coupon from the 2019 Chamber Bonus Book:

Prairie Peddler: Buy 1 Regular Coffee, Get the 2nd one (Equal or Lesser Value) Half Off.