



Annual Fall Banquet
October 14th, 2016 6:00pm
Sheep Creek Lodge

Board Meeting Begins: 6:50pm

- President Trevor Walter

Board Members in Attendance: 64 attendees.

Approval of Minutes of Last Meeting as Written

- Motion by Patti Coleman
- 2nd Dora Miller
- Unanimous

Announcements

- **Voting**
 - Newly approved By-laws allow for 3 Alternates in addition to 7 regular board members.
 - The following members are running for a seat on the Regular Board, Shawn Standley, Patti Coleman, Mable Quilliam, Joe McAneney & Rick Petersen.
 - The following members are running for alternate seats on the board, Matt Herod & Kierre Childers
 - Your Voters' Cards and Bios for all candidates are in your folders.
 - First call for nominations from the floor
 - No nominations were made
- **Winter Visitor Guide**
 - Fill out the information included in your packets to be included 2016/17 Winter Visitor Guide. Please get us all the info by Oct. 21st.
- **Talkeetna Visitor Guide**
 - Was the most popular guide in the state.
 - We printed 30,000 this year and will print 50,000 this time.
 - This year we will have the Town and Trail Map included in the guide.
 - Town and Trail map has space for advertising on the back cover.
 - We will print 20,000 additional Town and Trail Maps

- The Visitor guide has created enough money that we can rebuild our website and make it interactive.
 - We plan to have the guide finished and ready to send out by Jan. 1st 2017
 - Early bird special 20% off all graphic ads if you advertised in the 2016 guide. Deal ends tonight.
 - Talk to Kerry Walter if you would like to advertise.
- **Talkeetna Visitor Guide**
 - We are planning on sending sending out RFP's in Jan. to begin the process of finding the right design company.
 - The goal is to make the website be mobile friendly and more interactive.
 - We will be looking for photos & videos to put on the new website.
- **Board Goodbyes**
 - Thank you to all the board members for a very successful year. A special thank you to Stephanie Smothers and Dora Miller for their years of service on the Chamber Board.
- **Voting - Nominations**
 - Second Call for Nominations from the floor
 - No nominations were made.
- **Membership Report**
 - We have over 180 members.
- **Treasure's Report - Shawn Standley**
 - Checking Account - \$63,872.29
 - Savings Account - \$26.99
 - Money Market Account - \$18,257.48
 - The majority of this money is already accounted for to pay for future expenses.
 - The chamber brought in more income than ever before. Great job board members!
- **Scholarship Fund**
 - Most money ever raised for Scholarship fund.
 - We gave away \$3250.00 in scholarships this year.
- **Election Committee**
 - Is call upon to prepare to count the votes.
 - Third and final call for nominations from the floor.
 - No nominations were made.
 - Please vote now.

- **Winter Fest 2016**
 - Tree Lighting Nov. 27th at 1pm at the pavilion.
 - Motorized Parade of Lights Dec. 2nd 2016 at 7pm on main street.
 - Taste of Talkeetna Dec. 10th from 4-8pm

- **Moose on Parade & Centennial Celebration**
 - Casey Ressler was our auctioneer and helped us raise \$2093.83.
 - Thank you to all who volunteered.

- **Sign up for a Chamber Committee**
 - Audit & Budget, Sportsman Shows, Visitor Guide, Website, Taste of Talkeetna, Winter Fest, Moose on Parade, Membership & Community Relations.
 - There is a signup in your folder please place in the voting box or on the tables.
 - Every little bit helps.

- **Recycling**
 - Please fill out the recycling questionnaire to let them know if your thoughts on Recycling.
 - This questionnaire can be found in the folder please place voting box.

- **Election Results**
 - Elected Board Members:
 - Shawn Standley
 - Patti Coleman
 - Rick Peterson
 - Joe McAneney
 - Elected Alternates
 - Matt Herod
 - Kierre Childers
 - Mable Quilliam
 - Congratulations to you all!
 - The first Board meeting is Nov. 8th at 10am at the Talkeetna Roadhouse.
 - All board positions are open and anyone can be voted into any of the positions.

- **Thank you too the following people.**
 - All of you for attending The 2016 Talkeetna Chamber of Commerce Annual Banquet!
 - Sheep Creek Lodge for once again hosting the Annual Banquet.
 - Jimmy Sandy for the great music.
 - Suzy Kellard for the Decorations
 - Casey Ressler for being our auctioneer!

Upcoming Meetings & Announcements

- Nov. 8th - Chamber Board Meeting at Talkeetna Roadhouse at 10am.
- Nov. 10th - General Meeting Luncheon at Denali Brew Pub at 11:45 am.
- Nov. 27th - Annual Town Tree Lighting in the Village Park at 1pm.
- Dec. 2nd - Motorized Parade of Lights
- Dec. 6th - Chamber Board Meeting at Latitude 62' at 10am.
- Dec. 8th - Annual Chamber Christmas Party at Susitna River Lodge at 6pm.
- Dec. 10th - Taste of Talkeetna 4-8pm

Adjournment: 8:30pm