



Board Meeting Minutes

Feb. 7th, 2017 10:00am

Latitude 62'

Board Meeting Begins: 10:04am

1. President Trevor Walter

Board Members in Attendance:

1. Trevor Walter
2. Shawn Standley
3. Patti Coleman
4. Joe McAneney
5. Rick Peterson
6. Casey Ressler
7. Israel Mahay - via phone

Others in Attendance:

1. Kerry Walter – Administrative Assistant, Randal Kowalke

Approval of Minutes from the December Board Meeting

- Motion by Casey Ressler to approve January 10th 2017 Meeting Minutes as written.
- 2nd Shawn Standley
- Unanimous

Treasure Report: Joe McAneney – Report can be found online.

Persons to Be Heard:

Correspondence:

1. The Schedule for Alaska Tour and Travel
2. Denali National Park Newsletters
3. Health Fair 2017
4. Rasmuson Foundation
5. Northwest Travel Magazine

Committee Reports:

1. *Marketing & Events Committee*

- a. Annual Banquet - N/A
- b. Visitor Guide Committee – Trevor Walter
 - i. Are in and we need to pick them up from Anchorage.
 - ii. Are we going to sell the maps? - Moved to New Business.
 - iii. We are sending guides all over the state.
- c. Website Committee – Shawn Standley & Trevor Walter
 - Motion by Rick Petersen to accept the website proposal from Webdogs at the \$49,500.00 to be paid over two fiscal years.
 - 2nd Shawn Standley
 - Unanimous
- d. Winter Guide - N/A
- e. Winter Fest - N/A
- f. Taste of Talkeetna - Trevor Walter
 - i. Committee Meeting will be on Feb. 7th at 12pm at Latitude 62’.
- g. Live @5 - Trevor Walter
 - i. Need to have a committee meeting with Colleen Love for DAC.
 - ii. Shawn Standley and Israel Mahay will join the Committee.
- h. MSCVB - N/A

2. *Membership & Community Relations*

- i. Membership - N/A
- b. *Community Relations*
 - i. TCC – N/A
 - ii. *Talkeetna Water and Sewer Board (TSWB)* -
 - Discussed the proposed sales tax.
 - Randal Kowalke asked the board to write a letter of support.
 - Moved to new business.

- iii. TFCAB - Just Added
- 3. *Scholarship – Kerry Walter*
 - a. *Need to schedule a committee meeting.*
 - b. *Mabel Quilliam, Rick Peterson and Joe McAneney volunteered to be on the committee.*
 - c. *Kerry Walter will send an email to others who have been on the committee in the past.*
- 4. By-Laws Committee –N/A

Old Business:

- 1. Non-profit Tax accountant
 - a. Motion by Patti Coleman to hire Veit & Veit as our tax accountants.
 - b. 2nd Casey Ressler
 - c. Unanimous
- 2. 2016-2017 Budget Report
 - a. Motion by Rick Peterson to accept the proposed budget as presented.
 - b. Shawn Standley
 - c. Unanimous
- 3. Audit Committee Meeting - TBA
- 4. Board Planning Session - See report on website.
- 5. Letter of Support for the Talkeetna Community Council
 - a. Motion by Shawn Standley that we send the letter submitted for review with Joe McAneney to present to TCCI at their next board meeting on TCCI relations.
 - b. 2nd Patti Coleman
 - c. Unanimous
 - d. Rick Peterson will rewrite the letter to invite the community to come together and work on the town infrastructure.
- 6. DAC bathrooms - Trevor Walter
 - a. Israel is heading up the the funding for this.
 - b. Need to find away for permanent funding.
 - c. Potential for portable bathrooms to help ease the burden.
- 7. TCC funds for Talkeetna Sign
 - a. Sent the check back to TCCI
 - b. Trevor Walter will contact Moore's to see if we can get a refund for the materials they are holding for us.

8. Gaming License - Kerry Walter
 - a. Moved to New Business

New Business:

1. Voted in new businesses N/A
2. Sportsman Shows
 - a. Anchorage Show - March 30th-April 2nd
 - i. Rick Peterson volunteered for Thursday March 30th and Friday March 31st
 - ii. Joe McAneney volunteered for Friday March 31st.
 - iii. Kierre Childers volunteered for Saturday April 1st
 - iv. Still need a volunteer for Sunday April 2nd.
 - Rick Peterson will cover if we can not find a volunteer.
 - v. Contact Noelle Mischenko to see if some students would like to help.
 - vi. Need prizes and brochures for sportsman shows.
 - Mahay's will donate a prize
 - b. Fairbanks Sportsman Show - April 21st-23rd
 - i. Trevor & Kerry Walter volunteered for Friday April 21st- Saturday April 22nd.
 - ii. Mabel volunteered for Saturday the 22nd -Sunday the 23rd.
 - c. Casey Ressler is exploring the possibility of the Chamber attending other sportsman shows in the state.
 - i. Alaska Summer Show Case in Anchorage in March
 - Cost \$125.00 plus a prize.
 - Patti Cole man would be willing to host.
 - ii. PFD Travel Fair in Anchorage in October.
 - Cost \$125.00 plus a prize
3. Administrative secretary & bookkeeping position
 - a. Kerry Walter has given her 3-6month notice to the Chamber.
 - b. Announce to the community that the position is open.
 - c. Expected hours per week 15-20 at a minimum of \$15.00 per hour.
4. Fire Hydrant Funds - Table till March.
5. J-1 Visa Program
 - a. Governmental changes with more responsibilities and duties.
6. Matt Herod an alternate will be resigning.
7. Hudson Talkeetna Fly In
 - a. Scavenger Hunt need a board member to chair.

- i. Shawn Standley volunteered to be chair.
 - b. Sponsorship amount?
 - i. Motion by Joe McAneney to sponsor the Hudson Talkeetna Fly In for \$500.00.
 - ii. 2nd by Rick Peterson
 - iii. Unanimous
- 8. Town and Trail Map
 - a. Should we continue to charge for the map and how much?
 - i. Motion by Rick Peterson to continue to charge \$.25 per maps.
 - ii. 2nd by Joe McAneney
 - iii. Opposed by Patti Coleman
- 9. Visit Guides at the Airport
 - a. Continue to pay them to deliver visitor guides to the airport.
 - i. Motion by Patti Coleman that we pay Visit Anchorage \$300.00 to deliver our Visitor guides to the Anchorage airport.
 - ii. 2nd by Israel Mahay
 - iii. Unanimous
- 10. Proposed sales tax to pay for water and sewer.
 - a. Write a letter of support or opposition.
 - i. Motion by Joe McAneney to write a letter of support for the proposed of a sales tax.
 - ii. 2nd by Rick Peterson
 - iii. Unanimous
- 11. Parking proposal by railroad & borough.
 - a. Randal Kowalke asked the board to send a letter of support.
 - i. Motion by Rick Peterson to write a letter of support for the proposed parking concept by the railroad and the borough.
 - ii. 2nd by Patti Coleman
 - iii. Unanimous
 - b. Casey Ressler will write the letter of support.
- 12. Applying for a Gaming License
 - a. Motion by Shawn Standley to apply for a gaming license.
 - b. 2nd Rick Peterson
 - c. Unanimous
 - d. Joe McAneney will research what it's going to take for him to apply for a license and take the test.

Upcoming Meetings & Announcements

- Feb. 9th - Talkeetna Chamber General Meeting at 11:45am at West Rib Pub and Grill.
- Mar. 7th - Talkeetna Chamber Board Meeting at 10:00am at the Talkeetna Roadhouse.
- Mar. 9th - Talkeetna Chamber General Meeting at 11:45am at Mt. High Pizza Pie.
- Mar. 30th - April 2nd - Anchorage Sportsman Show
- April 11th - Talkeetna Chamber Board Meeting at 10:00am at the Latitude 62'.
- April 13th - General Meeting Luncheon at NSI (non-profits share and give the members an update) at 11:45am
- May - 9th - Board Meeting at 10:00am (Location TBA)
- May 11th - General Meeting at 11:45am - One Minute sound off. - (Location TBA)

Adjournment: 11:50 (Feb. 2017)

Minutes respectfully submitted by:

Kerry Walter

Administrative Assistance

Talkeetna Chamber of Commerce