



**TALKEETNA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE  
GENERAL MEETING MINUTES**

The Swiss Alaska Inn  
Thursday, Nov. 13th, 2014, 6:30pm Social

*Executive Session began – 6:45pm*

- Purpose was to approve the Nov. 11<sup>th</sup> 2014 Board Meeting Minutes so that Stephanie Smothers can be added onto the bank and credit card account as soon as possible.
- The Nov. 11<sup>th</sup> 2014 Board Meeting Minutes were unanimously approved & all board members present accepted the minutes as written and signed the minutes.

*Executive Session ended – 6:49pm*

**General Meeting Begins: 7:00pm**

- President Beth Valentine

**Members in Attendance:** Beth Valentine, Stephanie Smothers, Israel Mahay, Cory Kilchrist, Ron Quilliam & Shawn Standley.

**Welcome to new Board Members: – Cory Kilchrist & Shawn Standley.**

**Additions to Agenda:**

**Approval of Minutes from:** Flying Squirrel, Sept. 11<sup>th</sup>, 2014

- Motion to approve minutes from Sept & Oct. 2014 – Israel Mahay
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Cory Kilchrist
- Unanimous

**Treasure Report: Stephanie Smothers**

- Read bank Statement

**Persons to be Heard:** Kerry Walter & Kathy Moffit

- A. Kerry Walter with Filling the Gap
  1. Asking for volunteers & food or cash donations to feed the children during the Holiday Break.
  2. Works with NSI & Foodbank
- B. Kathy Moffit – with Alaska Middle College & mat-Su School District

1. Talked about dual enrollment at Mat-Su College & online programs.

**Correspondence:**

- A. Contact Kerry Walter or Beth Valentine for a detailed list of other correspondence.

**Committee Reports:**

*A. Events – Beth Valentine*

1. Shared about the success of banquet.
2. Auction proceeds - \$1917.00
  - a. Old Bag Auction - \$1680.00
  - b. Mini Moose Auction - \$100.00
  - c. Split the Pot - \$137.00

*A. Membership & Community Relations – Beth Valentine*

1. Membership is due & invoices have been sent out.
2. We will be calling members who have not paid.

*B. Scholarship- N/A*

*C. Marketing & Tourism – Beth Valentine & Stephanie Smothers*

1. Announced that we will attend the Mat-Su Outdoorsman Show on March 27<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup> 2015.
2. Announced we have a survey we would like the members to fill out.
  - a. We will be sending the survey via email. Members can respond to us via email.

*D. Talkeetna Community Council Report – Cory Kilchrist*

1. Announced that we were given a \$500.00 grant from the Revenue Sharing Grant money.
2. This money is earmarked for a new “Welcome to Talkeetna” sign.

**Old Business:**

**A. Talkeetna Beautification Project**

1. We were awarded a \$500.00 grant from The Talkeetna Community Council.
2. We want to use money that the Talkeetna Chamber of Commerce has to help Talkeetna improve.
3. Maybe we will have an online forum.
4. See Attached Report

**B. Bookkeeping Position**

1. The board has hired Kerry Walter as the new bookkeeper.

**C. Membership Drive**

1. Membership was due in Oct. & we will be calling members who still need to pay.

**New Business:**

- A. Welcomed new business member – Air Service Alaska Inc.

- B.** Tree Lighting Dec. 5<sup>th</sup>
  - a. We will be setting up the tree on Sat. Nov. 29<sup>th</sup> & decorating on Sun. Nov. 30<sup>th</sup>.
- C.** Motorized Parade of Lights Fri. Dec. 5<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm on main street.
  - a. Music by KTNA & hoping to have an announcer.
  - b. Participants meet at 6:30pm at the Swiss Alaska Inn.
  - c. Asked for ideas for the theme of the parade.
    - a. A couple of members suggested a parade with Mayor Stubbs as the theme.
- D.** Taste of Talkeetna Sat. Dec. 13<sup>th</sup> from 4:00pm-8:00pm
  - 1. 7 to 8 businesses will be offering a taste of their best foods & drinks.
  - 2. 1110- 115 ickets will be available on our website or you can contact Beth Valentine at 1-808-333-7779 or email us at info@talkeetnachamber.org.
  - 3. We set up a committee meeting for Mon. Nov. 17<sup>th</sup> 6:00pm at Twister Creek.
- E.** Icelandic Air Trade Show
  - 1. Should we send a representative?
  - 2. Suggested that maybe 12 businesses could donate \$150.00 to share the cost of expenses.

#### **Upcoming Meetings & Announcements**

- Dec. 5<sup>th</sup> – Tree Lighting Ceremony
- Dec. 5<sup>th</sup> – Parade of Lights at 7:00pm on main street.
- Dec. 6<sup>th</sup> – Bachelor Auction 6:00pm
- Dec. 9<sup>th</sup> - Chamber Board Meeting at 9:00am at The Roadhouse.
- Dec. 11<sup>th</sup> - Chamber General Meeting Christmas Party at The Susitna Lodge (6:30 social). Bring a white elephant gift.
- Dec. 13<sup>th</sup> The Taste of Talkeetna 4:00pm – 8:00pm

#### **Adjournment: 7:41pm**

- Motion Ron Quillam
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Israel Mahay

*Minutes respectfully submitted by:*

*Kerry Walter*

*Administrative Assistance*

*Talkeetna Chamber of Commerce*

*Minutes Approved*

