

## **Minutes of GBCC meeting 1/14/2019**

Attending: Cathy Daboul, Meg Blaut, AnnaMae Rechterovic, Nonna Hall, Nick Roes, Marie Devore, Claudia Bocker, Debra Conway, Dorene Warner, Roswell Hamrick, Laura Burrell, John Pizzolato.

Debra suggested more formal agendas and minutes (see attached). Discussion centered around the need for a nominating committee. Also, suggestions to post minutes on the web site and having committee meetings on weekends.

Discussion of 5 officers (Pres., two VPs, Sec. and Treas.) and four members, and reviewing at our policy manual and mission statement.

### **Dorene, John, and Debra agreed to serve on the Nominating Committee.**

Debra proposed joining the Upper Delaware Scenic Byway as a non-voting member. **John will send them a letter requesting this.**

Treasurer's Report: Reimbursements were made for the tree lighting; our current balance is \$6,884.87. We're now using Quickbooks online; Meg is requesting this be paid by the Chamber and that someone else be the second eyes for our submission to the accountants. We're considering breaking down expenses more by events this year, as well as having an additional user able to access Quickbooks online.

### **MOTION by Dorene, seconded by Roswell: Reduce our credit card limit from \$5,000 to \$1,000 online and retire our ATM card. Passed unanimously.**

Our ribbon cutting at Catskill Mountain Resort was well attended, with good publicity expected.

John reported on the Sullivan Renaissance continuation grant, expanding the area to include the intersection of Routes 55 and 97 and using more permanent installations. Placement of our Peace Dove also discussed. Goal is more substantial, lower maintenance beautification.

Also, discussion of new welcome banners and a call for art to design them.

WINTER WARM UP: We usually have from 100-120 people. There was discussion of venue and cost, as well as music. A DJ was preferred. **Dorene will check with Catskill Mountain Resort about accommodating our needs at a reasonable price.**

Ticket price was set at \$50. Next meeting of WWU committee is 1/28 at 6 PM at the AMCC.

SCHOLARSHIPS: Deadline for applications is 2/16/2019; Dorene is in contact with ECS.

GBCC won River Reporter Best Chamber award again this year. **Motion by Cathy, seconded by Dorene to take out an ad in the RR, ¼ page for \$185 passed unanimously.**

Additional discussion covered opportunities for exposure on WJFF.

*Respectfully submitted by Nick Roes.*