

**Meeting Commenced at 6:03PM**

**Present:** Claudia, Meg, Dorene, Marie, Nonna, Roswell, Johnny, Meg, Cathy, Laura, Anna, Nick

**Treasurer's Winter Warm Up Report shared** – working on collecting remaining funds from ticket sales

- Spreadsheet presented needs editing (BSH, Barryville Exterminating 2X)
- Dorene let us know a check was in the mail and will follow up on a few items, Cathy will follow up on a \$90 donation
- A couple of items received on 3/11 have not yet been added to the spreadsheet
- Cathy has all silent auction forms and what each item went for- she will create spreadsheet to share out
- Very few items didn't sell, those that were left/not bid on were and will be returned
- Two new memberships forms were submitted
- Balance to date shared: \$11,316.50
- Bills outstanding - \$111.00 - 1 expense, 1 reimbursement (print shop) – checks will be issued
- Everything else cleared and paid
- Accounts for last year - seeking outstanding items
- 1 uncashed check from WWU 2018 will be reissued – she will make final updates tonight and reissue
- *Meeting minute correction - GBCC wants to extend a courtesy of attending WWU to applicants families as we have done in the past*

**Meeting this Thursday 3/14 with co-treasurer – open to anyone to come (5PM, location tbd)**

- Chamber may want to use Quickbooks - can pull bank info
- Treasurer has been using Intuit; not a perfect system. Comment that it was buggy; uses it mostly for P & L reports, for Invoicing it is a bit easier; further discussion down the line is needed (\$21.60/month) – Chamber suggested reimbursement for this system and the out of pocket costs
- Meg's Recommendation - GBCC needs to get a more clear picture of what we need (Ren. Initiative needs to be its own account – grants; Scholarship should be a different account; Gen. Operating account – all need to be allocated separately
- Did reach out to Anna about NPO options (scholarship through Wayne bank)
- This was a well received idea (example - past scholar, didn't receive scholarship \$ - didn't go to college – maybe create a policy around this with limitations of when you can get the funding
- Sign Grants – we paid out \$4,000.00 already and some is going to the Butterfly sign and line item (est. \$300)
  - *Meeting Minute Correction/Addition: Money for the signs is part of a 3 part grant*

**GBCC Debit/Credit Cards**

- We have 1 Debit, \$500 daily limit – in Ed's name – proposed to close it and proposing we no longer use anyone else's personal cards for purchases....
- Motion that Co VP each get one with a \$1,000.00 limit; No ATM withdrawal access on these cards; Motion – Roswell wants to know what pre-approval is needed; Meg watches this and she can list expenses each month in an expense report addendum; Motion Seconded & Approved  
6:22PM

- Account signers – Meg will bring signature cards with her on the next meeting – Co-Treasurers need to be added, total signers – Roswell, Anna, and removing Ed – Can put as many as we want but require two signers; Motion Seconded and Approved 6:34PM

Questions about area/town sign grants:

- We paid in full to Nicole \$4200 etc.. (Triangle sign)
- Signage group/committee needs to meet
- \$1,200 for large sign near Carriage House / Reber
- \$500 for additional sign/hardware – a total of \$3600 is needed – we can cover that right now
- We are waiting on \$7500 to come in from Sullivan Renaissance to replace the billboard, map, welcome banners and 2 historic signs (Deb); need to meet on welcome banners

Membership

- We do need to financially clarify and add to the membership form (Ex – we get new membership from vendors each year near pumpkin fest – and the timing is weird for annual funds/reporting and communication)
- Can we try to get the date of renewal earlier this year? We aren't hitting verified members and they are benefiting from marketing without really paying for a full year
- Marketing timeline needs to be developed - a recommendation – March is a tough for small businesses; slow transition new January members
- There is some who pay early; Back date by last year's payment date and send bills
- Idea of thinking bigger in terms of Membership Drive
- Johnny will be on Membership committee - Claudia mentions we should reach out and welcome new businesses that are in our zip code coverage – she will look into that
- Comment Dorene: How do we encourage payment of invoices; Meg suggested creating a prorated system

Winter Warm Up Feedback:

- Two buffet lines needed next year
- Thank you notes – Marie will take care of the donations she secured; GBCC asks all those who secured donations to send thanks using the provided materials Dorene shared via email (letter template, envelope template)
- Cathy will create a list of all donations received
- Maybe include slow dance music; More generational music – think harder and include a more extensive playlist ( open call to make a town playlist)
- Four speakers that “talk” to each other - rethink that
- Should we provide that feedback to CMR? Rule of no competing business vendors selling wares (jewelry stand confused guests)
- Flowers were donated by Floral Cottages & Lawnsmith - GBCC would like to extend a free membership and share that out

**Motion to open Scholarship account with Wayne Bank of \$2,600.00 (CD, seconded) – no fees if \$100 is left after withdrawal and as long as we stay above 0 we will not incur fees; Motion Seconded & Approved 7:28**

Meeting Protocol

- Early development of Agenda (Secretary) and sent to all members; Keep meetings on schedule to get through all topics
- Need to be established

- Chairs in charge of recruitment and meeting outside of GBCC monthly meetings
- LKB recommends/asks– are there too many committees? Can some can be merged (JP); some will meet just as events get going
- Branding/Signage Committee needs to meet ASAP
- Banner criteria will be sent out via email for note/edits and voting
- Dorene requests Claudia’s help for banners down route 97 (on telephone poles); Route 55, too. 20 banners and 2 or 3 intro banners/signs – Barryville Biennial and must be added to our website;
- Goal that each banner has an artist represented on both sides; we feature the artists on our website (welcoming, showcase) – Request that Claudia help create a call to artists? Outreach support and help judge/selection committee
- Engage school; art teachers; opening night or party and a print of each banner to sell as a financial avenue to keep the program going from year to year (can’t rely on grants) and should there be business sponsorship (group needs to pick a date)
- Date to meet to talk about size, material, vendor, rules for engagement
- All info needs to be packaged and decided upon before the next GBCC meeting
- Up by Memorial Day Weekend
- This Committee will report out at next GBCC meeting

**This Committee is considering a meeting on 3/16 Saturday at noon (location TBD)**

**New Business:**

- Confirmation of move this week (Barryville Farmers Market) – JP contacted Greg and took him around to all viable spots after much work to secure; Decision was ultimately made to move to Narrowsburg
- Farmers Market lost the space outside of River Market for 2019 and beyond
- JP and Farmers Market both posted the notice and information to Facebook - lots of outcry, comments, people really want to have a Farmer’s Market in the area
- Goshen Farmers Market was contacted by JP – to just start a discussion about new opportunities; Goshen Chamber excited to talk to GBCC and build a relationship
- Offered an in kind membership to Goshen Chamber for GBCC
- Suggestions on what to do from Goshen include
  - Retain the market name, dev a committee to manage it; have it live on our website and/or as concerned citizens we can start a separate 501c3
  - Methodist church could be a potential site
  - Park at church and areas btwn Debs house and high point (double access homes) would be blocked off and traffic would go in both directions
  - Deb contacted Nadia to see if we could section it off; got approval
  - Church & Bizcheck – wants to join in on the FM planning and add a thrift shop; seek donations; flea market
- Sullivan Renaissance – interns to help direct traffic
- New Hope has residents who attend church could support efforts
- Corrections officer who can help get us support to clean-up afterward

Question posted - what should GBCC do at this point?

- Establish a new group of people who would manage this; they'd have to be or become member
- Residents have already offered to help with adjudication, vendors, etc....
- Needs to be rules/regulations to prevent liability issues, insurance policies to support the effort
- Well received idea that GBCC support in the creation of a 501c3 for this effort and foster the development and organization of a new market
- Mention that the Lackawaxen Food Hub closing too
- Ideas posited to use market and new space as an activation opportunity; craft fair; River Walks; healthy community initiatives
- GBCC will need to craft a statement for what is to come for the public
- JP is compiling lists of vendors, farmers - if anyone has ideas on vendors - send to Johnny P.
- Well received idea to join the Goshen Chamber of Commerce

New Project - Healthy Community Initiative with support of Sullivan 180

- Cathy – Sullivan 180 (Mrs. Gonzalez) was contacted and they want to expand into our area; Highland Lions Club (and all other clubs, Can't Hurt Steel) – help out with creating a health fair
- Lots of support from Ms. Saraid Gonzalez, Community Outreach and Events Manager for the area (suggested locations - school or senior center on route 55)

**Friday night Sullivan 180 will come to the Lion's Club meeting in April**

- Ask all GBCC members to be an exhibitor
- July/August execution of event
- Volunteer, outreach to members, promote – GBCC's role in the initiative
- Cathy will find out how many exhibitors they are requesting
- Motion, Motion Seconded & Approved that GBCC support this initiative 7:56PM

**Schedule of Events for March-December 2019**

- Holiday Tree Lighting
  - Santa Express: GBCC really wants this back in Barryville, we will ask if we can get the Express to visit the first Saturday of December (Dec. 7th)
    - May not happen – too many towns, not enough volunteers
- Butterfly Ball (first Sat. of August 3<sup>rd</sup>)
  - Suggestion from Nonna to consider a UDSB grant and co-sponsor with Narrowsburg Bee Pollinators
- Butterfly Bike Ride (needs infrastructure support) Age groups suggested – September 14<sup>th</sup> or maybe 21<sup>st</sup> – talk to Joan so it either works with or avoids Honey Bee Festival – or consider having it on a Sunday
- Pumpkinfest – Saturday of Columbus Day weekend – Oct. 12<sup>th</sup> – GBCC will try to find ways to make this a more profitable event for all those involved
- 2020 Winter Warm Up Fundraiser – First Saturday in March 7th

**Upper Delaware Scenic Byway Report (8:12 PM)**

- JP went to Upper Delaware Byway meeting, will write a report will be send out to members

**Next Meeting Date:** Monday April 15<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM