

Goldfield Chamber of Commerce Minutes

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Meeting Date: February 15, 2016

Malek Davarpanah called meeting to order at 6:00pm.

Attendance and volunteer hours: Malek Davarpanah 12, Lisa Pappalardo 5, Dominic Pappalardo 5, Ruth Lee not present 3, John Ekman, Peggy Carrasco, Scott Tygett, Richard Koepnick, Bob Glennen, Patty Brownfield Carl Brownfield, Carol Miguez, Joe Stengel, Linda Enlund, Denise Behrens, Dave Beth.

Minutes from January 25, 2016 were reviewed, John Ekman moved to approve the minutes Peggy Carrasco second, minutes were approved.

Treasurer's report: starting balance \$4,978.38, deposits \$500.11, expenses \$813.53, balance \$4,664.96, plus saving account \$100.18 grand total of \$4,765.14.

Membership report: Renewal notices will go out soon. Currently 35 members, 26 of which own business.

Malek said we haven't had enough volunteers in the past for Goldfield Days and we need more people to participate. Amanda and Jeremy told John Ekman they are willing to take the leadership of Goldfield Days to help keep it going. It was discussed separating Goldfield Days from the Chamber; the members did not like that idea.

There was a lengthy discussion on the past issues of running Goldfield Days. The things that stood out the most are A. Lack of participation of people helping in organizing Goldfield Days. B. Individuals not following through on the things they say they are going to do. C. Intentional sabotage to disrupt Goldfield Days.

Malek said he will talk to Jeremy and Amanda on organizing Goldfield Days.

Lisa Pappalardo suggested there be a separate budget and accounting for Goldfield Days from the general Chamber accounting. Linda Enlund suggested the cost of the band be shared by the Businesses of the town. Dave Beth said it is possible the Chamber pay someone to organize Goldfield Days as long as the Goldfield Days event is still being run by the Chamber. It was discussed that everyone that has been volunteering for Goldfield Days still needs to volunteer in all for those same rolls they have been doing, as Jeremy and Amanda organize Goldfield Days. Malek will talk with them and give them guidance on organizing Goldfield Days. There was some discussion on past experiences on organizing volunteers for Goldfield Days. Peggy Carrasco said she used perks and benefits to help keep her volunteers on track.

Dominic Pappalardo said it's a great addition to have Jeremy and Amanda join the group of people who are normally organizing Goldfield Days, this is the exact kind of support the Chamber is looking for in organizing Goldfield Days, having more local business owners getting involved in all phases of Goldfield Days and planning for it. Linda Enlund said "we all have a choice to get off our buns and do it or sit here and watch our town die."

It was discussed that many people from outside our community can't imagine Goldfield not having Goldfield Days that come here every year for it.

Malek said, due to his condition and when he took this position it was for a temporary amount of time, that he will remain President until election time, and that everyone should start thinking about who they want to run the Chamber.

Richard Koepnick said he is in communication with a person who coordinates about 80 tour buses through rural Nevada and would like to receive fliers and posters he could use to direct his buses to our events. Richard will give the contact information to Malek.

Meeting adjourned 7:14 pm.