

Goldfield Chamber of Commerce Minutes

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Meeting Date: February 16, 2015

Items in red signify action items that have not yet been completed. Items in green signifies motions and action items that have been completed.

Meeting called to order 6:05pm. Bobby Patterson started the meeting by explaining to the membership about some of the things he has done for the Chamber. The time and money he has put into the Chamber events. He has spent about \$2,000 of his own money, however he only receives complaints and this does not make him feel good about the things he is doing. Bobby says he wishes the Goldfield Chamber and the town of Goldfield well, and that he would continue to help, but is stepping down as President.

Georgia Swigert said the bank statements have always been in the Chamber and the financial report on the wall. The bank is issuing a new bank statement because the bank has made an error. She had received four membership applications but did not know who was currently doing membership and that she would be resigning from her post at the end of the month and will be taking her name off all accounts prior to turning the paper work over because she does not want her name on anything. Georgia said we need to take a vote on being a member of the Goldfield Historical Society. Dominic Pappalardo motioned to become a member of the Goldfield Historical Society, Malek Davarpanah second the motion, motion passed. Georgia said she would write the check.

Georgia Swigert said she filled out the grant, the grant has to be filled in by June, and that the commercial (video) needs to be started and will cost about \$2,800. The grant is for \$3,500 and we need volunteer hours to use for matching of the grant, be sure to document the hours. Microsoft applicator is still not working, whoever has the time and wants to contact them, its \$199. A person can call them and have Microsoft take control and fix the software.

Georgia Swigert said vendor packet is hear for someone to take, and hear is my resignation. She handed over hers and Bobby Patterson's written resignation.

Lisa Pappalardo said as far as membership it's the Vice-President who handles it or appoints someone to handle it. Georgia and Lisa agreed there are a number of positions that are currently not filled. Lisa Pappalardo offered to handle the Membership. Georgia handed the membership information over to Lisa.

Bobby Patterson said that they are not trying to abandon the Chamber or anything like that and that they would help in any way that they can. Bobby Patterson asked if anybody wanted to be the President. Georgia pointed out that we also needed to appoint a Secretary and Vice-President since the current officers in those positions have not showed up for even one meeting since they were elected. In such there have been no minutes and no agendas since their election. There was discussion about appointing temporary officers for the rest of the terms since the Chamber Bylaws allow for it.

Dominic Pappalardo said he would be willing to do the Secretary position. Georgia Swigert made a motion to nominate Dominic Pappalardo as Goldfield Chamber of Commerce Secretary. Malek Davarpanah second the nomination, all approved unanimously. Dominic immediately started doing the secretary work for the meeting.

Georgia said we need to get the flier and advertisements out for Goldfield Days. Bobby Patterson said he had trouble getting people to volunteer for the Chamber. He said individuals should be thinking "What can they be doing for the Chamber? Not what can the Chamber do for them". Bobby was also disappointed people didn't like his Thank You Diner.

There was discussion on electing new officers. Dominic Pappalardo motioned to nominate Denise Behrens to be Treasurer for the Goldfield Chamber of Commerce. Malek Davarpanah second the motion, all approved unanimously.

Dominic Pappalardo motioned to nominate Carl Brownfield to be Vice-President for the Goldfield Chamber of Commerce. Georgia Swigert second the motion, all approved unanimously.

Dominic Pappalardo motioned to nominate Malek Davarpanah to be President for the Goldfield Chamber of Commerce. Georgia Swigert second the motion, all approved unanimously.

Georgia Swigert said she will file the Chamber 2014 taxes before turning over the books.

Malek Davarpanah took over the Chamber meeting as President at 6:27 pm.

Dominic Pappalardo said he will get the Chamber members emails and mail out the minutes from the meetings as soon as they are ready.

Malek discussed advertising in the "Big Map" flier advertisement, and said the company was going to take Goldfield off the map because Jim Marsh is the only advertiser for Goldfield on the map. One business card size add cost \$499 however Big Map approved two business card size adds for the Chamber for \$600. The circulation for Big Map is 15,000, it goes to Chamber of Commerce Parks & Recreation and information centers. Deadline to advertise is the end of February 2015. The Goldfield Chamber of Commerce will be listed on the map and on the back of the map will be the two adds listing all the business in town. Chamber will be paying for all the business members to be listed. Dave the publisher said Jim Marsh will be advertising again this year. Goldfield will be a small pop out map on the back of the map. The Chamber is getting two business card spots for half price. Denise Behrens motioned to advertise in Big Map for \$600, 15,000 circulation. Georgia Swigert second, the motion passed unanimously. Georgia will write a check for Big Map. Malek will talk to Big Map tomorrow for the design.

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Lisa will be taking care of the Chamber Membership, Carl Brownfield approves. Georgia reminded everyone the TV commercial DVD needed to be done by June 1st and that two companies have been contacted about making the video. The grant has already been awarded to the Chamber from Nevada Dept. of Tourism and Cultural Affairs.

There was discussion that new signers for Nevada State Bank needed to be voted on since Georgia and Bobby were no longer going to be officers for the Chamber. **Georgia Swigert motioned to nominate Malek Davarpanah and Denise Behrens to be signers for Nevada State Bank for the checks. Brian Smalley second the motion, and passed unanimously.**

Malek says the Chamber needs a new email. Georgia reported she received an email on Rural Round Up. The annual conference will be in Carson City this year in April and we need to decide who is going. Georgia will forward the email to Malek. There was discussion on which service to use. It was agreed by the membership that g-mail was the best to use. **Malek said tomorrow he will set up a g-mail account for the Chamber.**

Malek summarized things that needed to be done.

1. **New g-mail account.**
2. **Rural Round up.**
3. **Design for Big Map.**
4. **DVD for advertising via the tourism grant**, possibly using Bill Girard or other company that's usually at Rural Round Up.
5. **Annual list of officers for the state. Georgia said she will do the annual list of officers to the Secretary of State.**

Malek says that possibly the Chamber will do something with KGFN. Malek asked if the Chamber was using the sign that Bryan Smalley made as the logo for the Goldfield Chamber. Lisa Pappalardo said she worked on a logo for the Chamber using the picture of Bryan Smalley's sign. **Malek and Lisa will work on the Chamber logo and present it at next meeting.**

Malek said we need to organize the Goldfield Days Planning Committee. **The individuals that volunteered to be on the Goldfield Days Planning Committee are Dominic Pappalardo, Carl Brownfield, Patty Brownfield, Dick Ruiz, Tom White, Bryan Smalley, Denise Behrens, Lisa Pappalardo, and Malek Davarpanah.** Georgia Swigert said there is a vendor map from last year. Georgia also reminded the members that St Patty's Day is coming March 14th and still needs to be planned for. Dick Ruiz says his schedule comes and goes from Goldfield and that he will help with Goldfield Days when he is available.

Malek says we need to update the Chambers web-site. Carl Brownfield asked Patty Brownfield if she would be the Chamber web-site person. **Patty agreed to be the web-site correspondent for the Chamber. Georgia said she will send Patty Brownfield the contact information for Teresa the Goldfield Chamber of Commerce Web-site person.**

There was a discussion about the Chamber Computer. Georgia said there are to many popups and things on the computer and could not get the Microsoft program to work. **Malek, Dominic and Lisa volunteered and together will work on the computer.**

There was discussion concerning the current credit card for the Chamber. Currently there is one credit card issued to the outgoing President. **When the new check signers go to Nevada State Bank they can create a new credit card account for the new President Malek Davarpanah, and cancel the current card issued to Bobby Patterson. Georgia Swigert said she will take the current credit card to NSB and turn it in.**

After a discussion a **planning meeting was scheduled for one week from today for February 23rd 2015 6: pm at the Chamber building.** May Days was discussed and is scheduled for May 9th 2015, a town wide flea market and bake sale. Carl Brownfield recommended announcing May Days on KGFN. There was discussion concerning the preliminary Chamber 2015 Calendar of Events. **The Membership decided to cancel the March 14th 2015 St. Patty's Diner & Dance and the June 13th 2015 Flea Market, Car Wash & Dunkin Booth.** Also the Membership decided not to do anything on the Fourth of July so it would not conflict with the annual potluck picnic and fireworks that the Goldfield Fire Fighters Association puts on every year.

The Diner and Show fund raiser was discussed for April 25th 2015. The Question was asked, does the proceeds benefit the town or Chamber? The last show benefit was for the Martha's and Mary's. It was said it would benefit the Chamber this time. Also there is a conflict with the date since it is the same date as Nicholas Clapp's book signing 7: pm at the same location at The Palace. **Malek said he will talk to Dave and Patty Beth about the Diner and Show to find out more information.**

Carl Brownfield reported that sometime this coming summer the movie based on the show Tony' Place will be finished filming and editing. The film will be shown at the Sun Dance Film Festival and other film festivals. Tony Taylor has requested that there be a free screening of the film in Goldfield. Carl said "That should be something that we put together as a Chamber event".

Georgia left the meeting, the group thanked her for her work in the Chamber and Georgia said she would continue to volunteer. The Flea Markets were discussed. Dick Ruiz recommends the Chamber collect something for the booth space to help cover cost. Previously there was no charge to encourage more people to participate, including the locals.

Dick Ruiz discussed BMX and the Chamber getting involved with. Malek Davarpanah said absolutely not, that is not an event for the Chamber, it is for the children. The Chamber is not going to spend time and effort on these kind of things, only the things that benefit the businesses. Dominic Pappalardo pointed out that for the last two years the Chamber has donated \$300 to the BMX for the year end grand prize and has participated in that way. Malek said that is fine the Chamber support BMX in that way, just not time wise for the Chamber planned events. Individuals can participate on their own time if they like.

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Malek says we need to review and work on the Chamber schedule of events, dial the schedule in, and especially focus on the main event, Goldfield Days. Next regularly scheduled meeting is March 16th 2015 6: pm. A planning meeting is scheduled February 23rd 2015 6: pm and more planning meetings may be scheduled from that meeting. The Chamber is behind on planning for its main event Goldfield Days. Last year for some people, planning and working on Goldfield Days took up four hours of every day. "That is why the planning for Goldfield Days needs to start the day after Goldfield Days". When everybody does their part it makes it much easier. The more people that participate the better.

The Chamber got a late start this year like it did the year before. It was discussed how the Chamber got a late start this year because individuals volunteered themselves for positions and beat other people out for those positions, and never showed up for one single meeting.

Malek says at the next meeting we need to work on the by-laws of the Chamber to prevent the same thing from happening again to the Chamber. Meeting adjourned 7:21 pm.

Summary of Action Items from this meeting:

Motions Made:

1. Dominic Pappalardo motioned to become a member of the Goldfield Historical Society, Malek Davarpanah second the motion, motion passed.
2. Lisa Pappalardo is the new Membership Person for the Chamber.9
3. Georgia Swigert made a motion to nominate Dominic Pappalardo as Goldfield Chamber of Commerce Secretary. Malek Davarpanah second the nomination, all approved unanimously.
4. Dominic Pappalardo motioned to nominate Denise Behrens to be Treasurer for the Goldfield Chamber of Commerce. Malek Davarpanah second the motion, all approved unanimously.
5. Dominic Pappalardo motioned to nominate Carl Brownfield to be Vice-President for the Goldfield Chamber of Commerce. Georgia Swigert second the motion, all approved unanimously.
6. Dominic Pappalardo motioned to nominate Malek Davarpanah to be President for the Goldfield Chamber of Commerce. Georgia Swigert second the motion, all approved unanimously.
7. Denise Behrens motioned to advertise in Big Map for \$600, 15,000 circulation. Georgia Swigert second, the motion passed unanimously.
8. Georgia Swigert motioned to nominate Malek Davarpanah and Denise Behrens to be signers for Nevada State Bank for the checks. Brian Smalley second the motion, and passed unanimously.
9. The individuals that volunteered to be on the Goldfield Days Planning Committee are Dominic Pappalardo, Carl Brownfield, Patty Brownfield, Dick Ruiz, Tom White, Bryan Smalley, Denise Behrens, Lisa Pappalardo, and Malek Davarpanah.
10. Patty agreed to be the web-site correspondent for the Chamber.
11. The Membership decided to cancel the March 14th 2015 St. Patty's Diner & Dance and the June 13th 2015 Flea Market, Car Wash & Dunkin Booth.

Action Items Completed:

1. Georgia said she would write the check for the Goldfield Historical Society Membership.
2. Georgia will write a check for Big Map.

Action items that have not yet been completed:

1. Georgia will be taking her name off all accounts prior to turning the paper work over.
2. Georgia Swigert said she will file the Chamber 2014 taxes before turning over the books.
3. Malek will talk to Big Map tomorrow for the design.
4. Malek said tomorrow he will set up a g-mail account for the Chamber.
5. Rural Round up. Who is going? April 2015 in Carson City.
6. Annual list of officers for the state. Georgia said she will do the annual list of officers to the Secretary of State.
7. Malek and Lisa will work on the Chamber logo and present it at next meeting.
8. Georgia said she will send Patty Brownfield the contact information for Teresa the Goldfield Chamber of Commerce Web-site person.
9. Malek, Dominic and Lisa volunteered and together will work on the computer.
10. When the new check signers go to Nevada State Bank they can create a new credit card account for the new President Malek Davarpanah, and cancel the current card issued to Bobby Patterson.
11. Georgia Swigert said she will take the current credit card to NSB and turn it in.
12. A planning meeting is scheduled for one week from today for February 23rd 2015 6: pm at the Chamber building.
13. Malek said he will talk to Dave and Patty Beth about the Diner and Show to find out more information.

These minutes prepared by the Goldfield Chamber of Commerce Secretary Dominic Pappalardo.