

MINUTES of the

PINON HILLS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Board Membership Meeting January 15, 2019

The meeting of Pinon Hills Chamber of Commerce was held at the Chamber Meeting Hall, 10405 Mountain Road, Pinon Hills, CA.

Call to Order

The President Lori called the meeting to order at 1800 Hours.

Pledge of Allegiance

The President led the Pledge of Allegiance.

President's Message & Announcements

The President appointed Director Richard Hall as Parliamentarian. The bank accounts signature cards were changed to current officers.

Roll Call & Introductions

The following Board members were present and introduced themselves:

Lori Weston, PresidentYvonne Barton, DirectorScott Brown, Vice-presidentCarmen Scherubel, DirectorEd Greany, SecretaryWendy Walker, DirectorCheryl Beaman, TreasurerAbsent Board members were: Richard Hall and Calissa Bonds.

Other members present were: Roberta Greany Valerie Piorkowski Anita Myers *(arrived at 6:30)*

Penny Swift (arrived at 6:30) Carl Swift (arrived at 6:30) Don Fish (arrived at 6:30)

Minutes

The Secretary distributed the Minutes from last month. Carmen moved to approve Minutes as corrected, 2d by Yvonne. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Cheryl presented a current financial report and answered any questions. We have \$1000 in our checking account and \$38,913 in our money market account for a total of \$39,913.

Business members were invoiced for 2019 dues totaling \$5124 in account receivables. The Chamber received \$5077 as income in 2018.

This year, we will have to do a long form tax return due to our grant money from the County. Normally just the IRS "Post Card" tax return is required.

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Committee Reports

Ad Hoc Committee

The Ad Hoc Committee was formed to evaluate the potential for developing a Cultural / Visitor's Center with funding from a tribal grant represented by Richard Hall and presented to the Chamber at the December meeting.

Scott recommended each party submit a Letter of Intent (LOI) describing what is expected of each party. Lori said they won't do that. They want a contract. We are not near a time where we can enter into a contract without further investigation. Lori said we really do not know where the funds come from and she does not want to risk funds originating from any drug cartel. We do not have any reason to believe this is the source of the funds. Richard has said previously that the funds come from oil exploration, coal, and mining precious metals/gems.

We are considering two separate properties: the Casa Ortega restaurant and the lot at Highway 138 & Oasis which wraps around the Pinon Hills Post Office. Scott checked with the County as to the difference in cost and time between new construction and reconstruction. Either choice is basically the same whether we change the footprint of an existing structure or go with new construction. The estimated time for permits, etc. is about 1-1.5 years and construction should be capable of completing within one year.

It was determined we should acquire D&O (Directors and Officers) insurance coverage. Scott moved to shop for and purchase a policy. Carmen 2nd the motion. Motion carried. The discussion was tabled until Scott can come back with his results.

Audit Committee

The Audit Committee is comprised of Chairperson Cheryl Beaman along with Valerie Piorkowski and Anita Myers. Cheryl presented the audit report which only had minor findings which were addressed and explained.

Tourism Committee

The Tourism Committee is chaired by Wendy Walker. She filed an applications with the San Bernardino County Unincorporated Chambers of Commerce Tourism Incentive Pilot Program FY 18-19 for an Art Show in August that encourages participants to create works inspired by the town of Pinon Hills and surrounding community. This is in hopes to introduce many to an area they have never visited before and produce great works of art in the process. A budget of \$2000 was estimated and item expenses requested are \$750 for brochures, \$350 for direct mailers, \$500 for posters/signage, \$300 for advertising, and \$100 for social media coverage on Facebook.

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New Business

Having a cooperative agreement between the Tri-Community chambers is necessary. Lori joined the Wrightwood Chamber as a member and is already a member of the Phelan Chamber. A meeting will be held at the PH Chamber hall on January 29th in an effort to work together in the spirit of cooperation. We need to coordinate our respective calendars.

The Phelan Chamber is holding their dinner installation on January 22nd. It would be nice to attend representing our Chamber and to show support. Wendy moved to pay for three members at \$20 each to attend this event, 2nd by Yvonne. Motion passed.

Senior Health Fair in March coordinated by Carmen. Date TBD.

Crafters Fair in the spring. Committee will be Scott and Wendy. Date TBD.

Scholarship – Carmen, Valerie, Anita Myers and Carl & Penny Swifts. We should require Community Service Hours and create a questionnaire for the candidates to complete.

Summerfest is June 1st. We will need a committee formed for this event.

Lori is going to get with Jane Rowan to transfer control of Facebook over to Lori and Ed.

Halloween – Phelan is doing a Food Booth event. We should have an entry. Date TBD.

Phelan Phamily Phun Days – October (date TBD).

November Tree Lighting in Wrightwood. – Date TBD.

Scott recommended something for our horse population – possibly a Poker Ride in September. Cheryl to chair.

Christmas – Scott proposed a propane give-away to a needy family selected by the gas company. We would contribute a fund matched by the gas company. A card would be given to the gas company to give to the recipient family showing the donated gift from the Chamber and gas company.

Membership – Carmen and Yvonne were given a huge list of Pinon Hills businesses from Ed for use in boosting our membership.

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Kiwanis Derby Night – Don Fish reported it is February 2nd held in the Community Center building. It is a \$20 dinner and dice is thrown. Approximately six "horses" are racing. One die tells which horse is moved and the other die shows how far the horse moved. The winner at the finish line receives chips in exchange for entries into a drawing, etc. Lots of things are available in the drawings. Lots of fun.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 1950.

Submitted by Ed Greany, Secretary

Note: The General Membership meeting was combined into the Board Meeting.



MINUTES of the PINON HILLS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

General Membership Meeting

March 19, 2019

The meeting of Pinon Hills Chamber of Commerce was held at the Chamber Meeting Hall, 10405 Mountain Road, Pinon Hills, CA.

This was a Pot-luck meeting and all enjoyed delicious contributions prior to the meeting.

Call to Order

The President Lori called the meeting to order at 1842 hours.

Pledge of Allegiance

The President led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Introductions of members & guests

All attendees introduced themselves.

Attendance

Board members:		
Lori Weston, President	Present	V
Scott Brown, Vice-president	Present	С
Ed Greany, Secretary	Present	Y
Cheryl Beaman, Treasurer	Present	R

Wendy Walker, Director	Absent
Carmen Scherubel, Director	Absent
Yvonne Barton, Director	Present
Richard Hall, Director	Present
Calissa Bonds, Director	Present

Other members and/or guests:

Valerie Piorkowski, Don Fish, Jr., Marge Fish, Randy Sampiar and Bonnie Butler.

President's Message & Announcements

The President asked all to sign the sign in sheet.

Minutes

The Minutes were not read by the Secretary since they were posted via email. Ed addressed an edit to one sentence changing one word. Scott moved to approve the Minutes as posted and correction read by Ed; 2d by Randy. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Cheryl presented a current financial report.

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Committee Reports

Membership Committee

The Bylaws state members being 60 days in arrears in the payment of dues shall be notified of their delinquency by the Secretary and those 90 days in arrears shall be suspended and notified in writing. This was not done yet due to lack of membership current status and email addresses to effect the notification. A motion by Scott and 2nd by Valerie to follow Sec 3 of the By-laws passed with one objection. A new motion was made by Richard and 2nd by Calle to correct the prior motion passed unanimously. Ed will send out notices "*We missed you at the pot luck meeting and miss your dues also. Please pay today. Thank you.*"

Budget Committee

Richard reported his committee met last week. Discussed was \$1000 for the scholarship, mailers, and news ads. Next month he will bring the budget outline. Ed stated we are already 1/3 into 2019 without a budget and we still have nothing on the table to vote on. We have not had a budget for several years. We need one in order for the Treasurer to properly pay recurring expenses. Richard will have one ready to vote on next month.

Tourism Committee

The tourism event is chaired by Wendy Walker but reported by Scott in Wendy's absence. The County has an additional \$3000 available to promote our Summerfest. We are submitting invoices for \$750 radio advertising, \$500 print advertising, \$250 posters, \$250 flyers, \$250 social media, and \$1000 promotional video totaling \$3000.

Crafter's Fair

Scott said we are still working on the art show and fundraiser. An invoice was sent to the County. He is combining the Tourism committee with this Crafter's Fair committee.

Scholarship Committee

It was agreed to that applicants should respond to a questionnaire in an essay format. Of priority are establish a business in Pinon Hills and performing community service hours. Grades are not a priority. This gives those students who are working and unable to concentrate as much on schoolwork due to their working hours. Next year we will try for a scoring system giving points weight to this and the other requirements. Valerie said she has ordered a banner which will be hung on the school fence. Only two of the

three schools have been notified so far of the scholarship for this year.

Senior Health Fair

No report. Sandy Young is handling this event.

Old Business

Scott reported on the O&D insurance rate so far. The D&O quote is \$709 but the Charity One quote for general liability coverage is \$1387. That is excessive to consider. Ed will send Scott a name and address for his club's insurance which is only about \$300 for the same \$1M general liability coverage. The search continues.

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Ed said we still have an unresolved issue on the table. That is the financial offer made by Richard. No mention was made of it at last month's meeting and it needs to be resolved. Scott explained we need to present a letter of intent to Richard and receive one from Richard.

Lori wants to change the date of Summerfest from the first week of June to June 15th. This will allow her to be present as she is going to be on her honeymoon the first of June. We do not have a Chairperson for Summerfest and Scott, Randy and Lori are working it. We should be soliciting the general membership for committee help instead of relying on just the Board

Richard brought us up to date on two California Senate bills.

Senator de León's bill SB100 puts California on the path to 100% fossil-fuel free electricity by the year 2045.

Senator Robert M. Hertzberg's bill SB163 sets timelines for sanitation facilities to meet standards for 50 percent beneficial reuse by 2026 and 100 percent reuse of treated water by 2036. The reuse standards would allow for backup discharges from treatment facilities for purposes such as irrigating crops, groundwater recharge, sea water barriers and watering public lands. Expect a \$10 per month increase to our water bill.

The next membership meeting is April 16, 2019.

Adjournment

Lori adjourned the meeting at 2020 hours.

Submitted by Ed Greany, Secretary

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MINUTES of the PINON HILLS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE General Membership Meeting

April 16, 2019

The meeting of Pinon Hills Chamber of Commerce was held at the Chamber Meeting Hall, 10405 Mountain Road, Pinon Hills, CA.

This was a Pot-luck meeting and all enjoyed delicious contributions prior to the meeting.

Call to Order

The President Lori called the meeting to order at 1816 hours.

Pledge of Allegiance

The President led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Introductions of members & guests

All attendees present introduced themselves.

Board members:

Lori Weston, PresidentPresentScott Brown, Vice-presidentPresentEd Greany, SecretaryPresentCheryl Beaman, TreasurerAbsent

Wendy Walker, Director	Present
Carmen Scherubel, Director	Present
Yvonne Barton, Director	Present
Richard Hall, Director	Present
Calissa Bonds, Director	Present

Other members and/or guests:

Valerie Piorkowski, Randy Sampias, Jeri Plager and Bonnie Butler.

President's Message & Announcements

The President asked all to sign the sign in sheet.

Minutes

The Minutes were read by the Secretary. Scott moved to approve the Minutes as read by Ed; 2d by Richard. Motion carried unanimously.

Carmen brought to the attention of the members that the motion to approve the February Minutes cannot stand since the motion was 2nd by Randy who is not a Director. Scott moved to approve the February Minutes as corrected, 2nd by Richard. Motion carried unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Cheryl was not present. A financial report was previously emailed.

April 16, 2019 (Continued)

Committee Reports

Budget Committee

Richard reported on the proposed Budget. He addressed various expenses, revenue, assets including proposed amounts. Some areas need additional information from the committees to enter proper amounts. Richard will have one ready to vote on next month.

Senior Health Fair

Lori reported through miscommunications no application was submitted for the Senior Health fair this year thus we cannot officially participate this year. We are still encouraged to show up to show our commitment to coordinate with the tri-councils. Scott moved to approve a \$50 budget for a raffle gift for the Health Fair next year, 2nd by Carmen. Motion carried.

More on Budget Committee

Since we do not have a Budget for 2019 yet and we need funds for the upcoming Summerfest event, Yvonne moved to move \$4000 from our money market account into our local operating checking account for Summerfest, 2nd by Wendy. Motion carried.

Lori volunteered Randy to act as M.C. at Summerfest this year.

Lori is also going to establish a Fund Raiser Committee.

Tourism Committee

We have not received any funds from the County yet but all the proper paperwork (invoice) has been submitted and we are in good condition.

Crafter's Fair

He is combining the Tourism committee with this Crafter's Fair committee. The Art Show is later this year and it was suggested we might consider having it at the Pinon Hills Elementary School. Randy expressed that we need a lot more volunteers to pull that off and must coordinate with the school far in advance. This is to avoid conflict with Soccer games, parking issues, etc.

Membership Committee

The Bylaws state members being 60 days in arrears in the payment of dues shall be notified of their delinquency by the Secretary and those 90 days in arrears shall be suspended and notified in writing. Ed sent out notices to unpaid members that "*We missed you at the pot luck meeting and miss your dues also. Please pay today. Thank you.*" As of tonight, we have 25 paid renewals, business and individual. Valerie stated she is now an individual member and has paid her dues. Since the 90 days has passed now, Ed asked where shall we go from here – drop members? He suggested sending our the "drop dead" letter giving

Scholarship Committee

Lori said we had five scholarship applicants. The applicants did not indicate any intent to open a business in Pinon Hills. Valerie mentioned none of the applications were filled out completely. Ed moved to roll over this year's funds to next year, 2nd by Calissa. Motion carried.

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April 16, 2019 (Continued)

Old Business

Scott reported on the D&O insurance rates so far. The D&O quote is \$594 for General Liability from Charity One and \$980 for D&O. Scott thinks that is excessive. He contacted Mercer Insurance Company recommended by Ed. Ed has used this company for well over ten years with excellent rates and service. He has never filed a claim with the company and they cover events. Scott has a \$320 rate for the General Liability which is lower than our present policy and is awaiting a rate for the D&O once he completes and forwards an application to them.

New Business

Valerie and Wendy commented on our website being terrible and needs lots of work. Lori is asking for everyone to send a photo and bios to be used on the website.

Richard mentioned the progress of some California Senate bills. It <u>may</u> bring down our taxes. He also mentioned a presentation of about one hour called the River of Gold.

The next membership meeting is May 21, 2019.

Adjournment

Lori adjourned the meeting at 2030 hours.



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PINON HILLS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

General Membership Meeting

May 21, 2019

The meeting of Pinon Hills Chamber of Commerce was held at the Chamber Meeting Hall, 10405 Mountain Road, Pinon Hills, CA.

This was a Pot-luck meeting and all enjoyed delicious contributions prior to the meeting.

Call to Order

The President Lori called the meeting to order at 1810 hours.

Pledge of Allegiance

The President led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Introductions of members & guests

Lori asked Ed to take roll call.

Board members:

Lori Weston, President Present Scott Brown, Vice-president Present Ed Greany, Secretary Present Cheryl Beaman, Treasurer Present Wendy Walker, DirectorPresentCarmen Scherubel, DirectorPresentYvonne Barton, DirectorPresentRichard Hall, DirectorAbsentCalissa Bonds, DirectorAbsent

Ed reported we have a quorum.

Other members and/or guests:

Valerie Piorkowski, Bonnie Butler, Caroline Phelps and Savana Phelps (our 2018-19 Miss Pinon Hills).

President's Message & Announcements

The President introduced Carolyn D. Phelps, the mother of Miss Savana Leanne Phelps, our 2018-2019 Miss Pinon Hills. She complained of Lori Weston's improper attitude toward her daughter and for forwarding a video showing Savana in a school fight sent to Savana and her mom. Savana stated the fight was a setup by students and she got injured requiring hospitalization. This is a situation between the mother and our president without action required by the Chamber. It was also mentioned Savana never received a crown. Savana said she is going to be more active in Chamber activities beginning with the 2019 Summerfest next month. Ed moved to extend Savana's reign one more year and provide her with a crown. Motion 2d by Scott. Motion unanimously carried.

Minutes

The Minutes were previously posted. Yvonne moved to approve the Minutes as corrected; 2d by Carmen. Motion carried unanimously.

Minutes of the Pinon Hills Chamber of Commerce General Membership Meeting

May 21, 2019 (Continued)

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Cheryl distributed a financial report previously emailed. Written copy accepted.

Committee Reports

Budget Committee

Richard was not present to report on the proposed Budget. Lori mentioned Richard needs a statement from each committee indicating what funds are needed by them for 2019. Ed said this is not the way to produce a budget. The first thing we need is to determine what our income is or will be. Lori announced then that the church had given us their 30-day notification of vacating which will stop our income from that source.

CSD action

Lori announced the CSD accused us of breaking our lease contract due to renting out the Chamber building to the church. CSD is alleging that our extra cars using the parking lot for church activities will cause a more rapid need for repairs. A discussion began concerning U-turns in the parking lot by the Victor Valley Transit Authority since this is the end of the bus route. The bus is surely to cause more damage to the pavement than passenger cars used by the Chamber and/or the church. Scott said he is scheduled to meet with Don Bartz, Special Manager of the CSD, and will work things out regarding the parking lot and the church matters.

Tourism Committee

Scott reported we have received \$2500 from the County which is half of what we requested. We need to spend the entire \$2500 and forward to the County the expenditures we made then the remainder \$2500 can be sent to us.

We are continuing work on the Art Show.

Wendy reported we are trying to set up tours of the Transition Habitat Conservancy possibly ending up at the Big Rock.

Part of the expense will be a tourism video. Scott is working on a video.

7 p.m. Break

A five-minute break was called by Lori.

7:05 p.m. Resumption of the meeting

Cristy Woodruff of Caldwell Banker Home Source arrived at the meeting. She is becoming a new member of the Chamber. Additionally, Jane and Gene Mills of Mills Hardware and Don Fish, Jr. of News Plus arrived.

Scholarship Committee

Apparently Chaparral High School doesn't close their scholarship deadline until May 22nd. We will consider any qualified applicants received from Chaparral for a \$1000 scholarship. Carmen volunteered to represent the Chamber in Lori's absence at the Chaparral "IF" a candidate is selected.

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May 21, 2019 (Continued)

Senior Health Fair

Lori reported we shared a table with the Phelan Chamber at the Health Fair. Our hand-out bags were a big hit. We should reorder more. We donated two \$25 gift certificates. Unfortunately, CERT reported their two raffle prizes were stolen from the raffle desk where they were all on display.

Summerfest

Valerie gave a report and shared what our write bands look like. Thus far, we have Fire Safe display, an obstacle course, a dunk tank, slides, a bounce house, a petting zoo, and a car/truck/motorcycle show. The truck trophy is on display at the Pilot Travel Center (The Outpost) on I-15 in Oak Hills.

Things are moving along nicely. We need lots of volunteers however. Feelers have been put out for volunteers.

The last Summerfest meeting will be June 7th at 6 p.m. at the Chamber building.

Old Business

Scott reported on the D&O insurance rates so far. The D&O quote is \$594 for General Liability from Charity One and \$980 for D&O. Scott thinks that is excessive. He contacted Mercer Insurance Company recommended by Ed. Ed has used this company for well over ten years with excellent rates and service. He has never filed a claim with the company and they cover events. Scott has a \$320 rate for the General Liability which is lower than our present policy and is awaiting a rate for the D&O once he completes and forwards an application to them.

New Business

None.

For the Good of the Chamber - Announcements:

Scott reported that Sandy & Greg Jones will be producing Fashion Forward Show Benefiting High Desert Keepers on June 9th in Wrightwood at the Wrightwood Arts Center from 1:30 to 4:30. Tickets: <u>https://wrightwoodblues.ticketleap.com/sandy-jones-fashion-show/</u>

Bonnie reported that CERT is going through three CERT classes and an earthquake walk.

The next membership meeting is June 18, 2019.

Adjournment

Lori adjourned the meeting at 2000 hours.



MINUTES Of the PINON HILLS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE General Membership Meeting

June 18, 2019

The meeting of Pinon Hills Chamber of Commerce was held at the Chamber Meeting Hall, 10405 Mountain Road, Pinon Hills, CA. This was a Pot-luck meeting and all enjoyed delicious contributions prior to the meeting.

Call to Order

The President Lori called the meeting to order at 1800 hours

The President led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Board members present:

Lori Weston, President	Present	Wendy Walker, Director	Present
Scott Brown, Vice Presiden	t Present	Carmen Scherubel, Director	Present
Ed Greany, Secretary	Absent	Yvonne Barton, Director	Present
Cheryl Beaman, Treasurer	Present	Richard Hall, Director	Present
		Calissa Bonds, Director	?

We had a quorum.

Other members/guests, Gina and Husband from Mills Hardware and ??

President's Message and Announcements

Summerfest went well and one person passed out due to extreme heat. The Paramedics and EMT's on location took care of her and she recovered.

Minutes

The Minutes were previously posted. Scott moved to approve the Minutes as corrected; 2d by Yvonne. Motion carried unanimously.

Minutes of the Pinon Hills Chamber of Commerce General Membership Meeting

Budget Committee

Richard Hall asked that all committees turn in a budget that is needed to take care of the business. For example, the Membership Committee, including the Secretary might budget \$500 per year for supplies. (Possible Small Business Grant workshops for local businesses would support membership.)

Scholarship committee - \$1000 award, \$250 banner, advertising

Treasurer –Uses about \$100 to print reports, envelopes, stamps etc. Did not need reimbursement, but we probably should

The standing utility bills are already approved -

Insurance \$1200 per year, electricity, water, phone, etc.

Tourism – grant \$5,000

Wendy suggested we get maps made of Pinon Hills boundaries and attractions

Video promotion – Lori paid to have a short video made through the company that owns the radio station. Scott reminded the board that for \$1500, he could do a one time video with updating every 3-5 years

Art show moved to September 14, 2019. Show will be hung in the Chamber building; requires plywood to hang artwork; there's a question as to whether grant money can be used for installation materials.

Miss Pinon Hills contest - sash, crown

Summerfest

Comments on Summerfest: great vendors, something for every age group. It was not well attended and many people said they did not hear about it. We used traditional forms of marketing – radio and newspaper ads, which are not attracting attention. We need social media, to engage the schools and children weeks ahead, and have Summerfest closer to the end of school. It was suggested we go after sponsors to help with the cost. Planning for Summerfest 2020 should start in January.

The board discussed having the Chamber building occupied during the day to assist visitors and be of more service to the community.

Motions: Scott made the motion to man the chamber building during regular business hours.

Yvonne seconded and the motion passed. Lori Weston will be a primary volunteer.

Scott moved to remove Frontier as a phone and replace with RACE internet, landline and security camera.

Cali seconded, motion carried.

? motioned for a July 16 meeting, passed



MINUTES of the PINON HILLS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

General Membership Meeting

July 16, 2019

The meeting of Pinon Hills Chamber of Commerce was held at the Chamber Meeting Hall, 10405 Mountain Road, Pinon Hills, CA.

This was a Pot-luck meeting and all enjoyed delicious contributions prior to the meeting.

Call to Order

The President Lori called the meeting to order at 1910 hours.

Introductions of members & guests

Board members:		Directors:	
Lori Weston, President	Present	Wendy Walker, Director	Absent
Scott Brown, Vice-president	Present	Carmen Scherubel, Director	Absent
Ed Greany, Secretary	Present	Yvonne Barton, Director	Absent
Cheryl Beaman, Treasurer	Present	Richard Hall, Director	Absent
-		Calissa Bonds, Director	Present

Minutes

The June Minutes were comprised of notes by Yvonne Barton and Wendy Walker. Ed had drafted a working copy from notes received from Yvonne. It was decided that Ed would combine all three documents into one to be submitted for approval at the next meeting.

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's Report was emailed out earlier in the week.

Committee Reports

Tourism Committee

Scott reported that \$2500 of the \$5,000 grant received has been spent. The Video promotion is \$1000. Art show moved to September 14, 2019.

Summerfest

Lori said Summerfest was a success and Yvonne had fun. No financial data was presented. The major suggestion was to start earlier – Lori said it is a year-long effort.

Lease

A discussion about our lease with CSD brought up some thoughts and clarifications. Scott thinks we need a new contract that benefits the CSD and the Chamber equally especially with regards to the parking lot. Ed recommended a get together between Lori, Scott, and CSD to work on this.

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July 16, 2019 (Continued)

Budget Committee

STILL, no Budget submitted. Ed presented a budget start. It is understood the numbers are not in stone but at least we can see SOME degree of progress since the year is already half over.

Olds Business

Chamber hours

Last month it was decided to staff the chamber building during regular business hours. Lori Weston will be a primary volunteer and will make her office in the Chamber building so she may be doing her work while staffing the office.

Communications

Lori ordered RACE Communications to install this month.

Frontier will be discontinued then. Our telephone messages go to the Board. Ed said it should be answered by just one designated person to avoid confusion to the caller. All calls are presently transferred to Lori's cell phone. Ed suggested a schedule for each day's calls to be answered by a different person to share the responsibility.

The next membership meeting is August 20, 2019.

Adjournment

Lori adjourned the meeting at 2030 hours.

Ed Greany, Secretary.



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PINON HILLS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Membership Meeting August 20, 2019

The meeting of Pinon Hills Chamber of Commerce was held at the Chamber Meeting Hall, 10405 Mountain Road, Pinon Hills, CA.

Call to Order

The President called the meeting to order at 1813 Hours.

Pledge of Allegience

The President led us in reciting the Pledge of Allegience.

Roll Call & Introductions

The following Board members were present and introduced themselves:

Board members:	-	Directors:	
Lori Weston, President	Present	Wendy Walker, Director	Present
Scott Brown, Vice-president	Present	Carmen Scherubel, Director	Present
Ed Greany, Secretary	Present	Yvonne Barton, Director	Present
Cheryl Beaman, Treasurer	Present	Richard Hall, Director	Absent
		Calissa Bonds, Director	Absent

Other members present were: Eddy Harrison Carolyn Phelps (Savanna's Mom) Bonnie Butler

Jeanna Mills Don Fish Jr. Anita Myers

The following visitors were present: Jim Conkle, pending new member

Minutes

The Secretary distributed the Minutes from last month. Carmen moved to approve Minutes as distributed, 2d by Scott, Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer financial report was emailed out earlier in the week.

President's Message & Announcements

Lori announced from an email from Wendy that the Art Show is on October 26th.

Jeanna and Lori are working on the concept of a Town Meeting inviting a representative to attend from all the carious county departments.

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A video conference was set up with William Bailey, Attorney at Law for the purpose of evaluating a letter from the PPHCSD claiming our Chamber to be in default of the terms of the contract with them. Specifically, the renting out of our building, the use of our parking lot, and demanding we supplement/share in the maintenance costs of the parking lot. The attorney made recognized some areas of the contact which benefit the CSD only and no benefit to the Chamber. Mr. Bailey made some suggestions and recommendations. Based on these recommendations, a motion by Carmen, 2d by Scott, was made and Mr. Bailey agreed to draft a proposed new addendum to our contract within the spirit of the original intent for the Chamber and also one for CSD to consider. There will be no fee for this generous offer.

Break at 1911 and reconvened at 1925.

A short discussion about our General Liability Insurance and D&O coverage began. Ed moved to go ahead and acquire the insurance quote including O&D coverage from Mouser Insurance and cancel our existing coverage upon receipt of our new policy. Motion 2d by Carmen, motion carried.

Tourism: Wendy submitted a flyer for distribution announcing our Art show on October 26th at the Chamber building with an Artist's Reception on Friday, October 25th. There is no charge for this event by participants. The subject of paying for bills for this event came up. Scott moved that the Treasurer be allowed to use a debit card to pay bills by electronic means for approved expenses. Motion 2d by Wendy, motion carried.

Jim Conkle gave a presentation about a magazine style "Tri-Community & Surrounding Areas Resource Guide. It would have "members" such as the Chambers, the School District, etc. who would enter large full page ads. The members could advertise under these members and there would also be articles submitted by the members. This would be a quarterly printing for distribution by the members. No action was taken on this concept until we have a Budget.

Lori and Jeanna brought up the problem with town security. We have almost no police protection in Pinon Hills (and surrounding areas) due to lack of Sheriff personnel. Lori suggests we endorse more School Police officers to patrol our streets.

Lori stated the next Summerfest will be the first Saturday in June as always but we will begin campaigning much earlier. It will be the same venue and layout as in 2019.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 2030.



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Board Membership Meeting September 17, Year

The meeting of Pinon Hills Chamber of Commerce was held at the Chamber Meeting Hall, 10405 Mountain Road, Pinon Hills, CA.

Call to Order

The President called the meeting to order at 1812 Hours.

Pledge of Allegiance

The President led us in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call & Introductions

The following Board members were present and introduced themselves:

Board members:		Directors:	
Lori Weston, President	Present	Wendy Walker, Director	Present
Scott Brown, Vice-president	Present	Carmen Scherubel, Director	Present
Ed Greany, Secretary	Present	Yvonne Barton, Director	Present
Cheryl Beaman, Treasurer	Present	Richard Hall, Director	Absent
		Calissa Bonds, Director	Present

Other members present were:

Dane and Jeanna Mills, Jim Conkle, Michael Palecki, and Terry Fritzen.

The following visitor was present:

Porcha Bozeman (office secretary)

Minutes

The Secretary previously distributed the Minutes from last month. Then corrections were brought to the attention of the Secretary. Those corrections were made but no further mailing was done. Carmen moved to approve Minutes as corrected, 2d by Scott. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer presented a current financial report. The report was accepted by the Board.

President's Message & Announcements

The Victor Valley Community Services Council (VVCSC) is hosting a benefit The Great Duck Race! 2019 on September 22nd in Hesperia Park as part of 2019 Hesperia Days.

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Phelan Family Fun Days is October 5th. We will have a booth staffed by four members in two-hour shifts to promote our Art Show. There will also be a car show there. It was suggested we have something there to sell. Lori passed around a Pinon Hills Chamber Cook Book from "yesteryear". We could have this as a contest. Ed mentioned he has a submarine cook book that is hard bound and could share it.

Lori also shared an item from another Chamber which is a 52 page photo calendar. We could have all our business owners that paid the \$60 additional exposure fee to us have their own page in this calendar if we were to make one for our Chamber. We would sell these calendars the public.

Scott promoted buying Pinon Hills license plate frames similar to what other Chambers are doing. He can purchase them for \$6 each. Scott moved we purchase 50 frames at \$6 each, 2nd by Cali, motion carried.

There is a Trick or Treat event at Stator Bros on October 31st.

Correspondence

Lori submitted amendments of our State Farm insurance policy to the Secretary for storing.

Old Business

Lori said the issue with the CSD has been put on hold. We will not be signing a new contract. More to be presented next month but for now, don't worry about anything.

Wendy reported on the Tourism Committee report. The Desert Visions Art Show and Sale at the Chamber building is now September 25th which is the Artist's Reception with the showing on October 26th from 1p.m. to 5:30p.m. Deadline for entries is October 12th and they should be delivered to the Chamber building that day. It is open to non-residents also. Items may be for sale but needs a suggested price at the time of the show. Mediums such as drawings, paintings, and sculptures may also be submitted. Items must be ready to hang or to sit on a table. Lori asked if Ed would prepare some standards for judging. This will be our first art show.

Standing Committee Reports

No reports submitted or presented by Audit, Commercial, Program or Membership Standing Committees.

New Business

Scott mentioned he visited the City of Joshua Tree and how it would be great if Pinon Hills could be that nostalgic look for visitors. He would like to see Caltrans reduce the speed limit for Hwy 138 down to 45 mph.

A town hall meeting is proposed to hear issues and problems in the community. It would cover security concerns and involve Neighborhood Watch and Code Enforcement to name a couple. Jeanna mentioned she had an issue recently that was

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corrected the next day. All she did was contact Susan Drake (760) 995-8133 at First District Supervisor Robert Livingood's office. No date is proposed.

Special Committee Reports

Summerfest Committee

Lori said we will be planning our 2020 Summerfest all year long to make it right and successful. We must start NOW! The proposed date is always the first Saturday in June. That is June 6 next year. Yvonne questioned if school is out by then. School can be extended additional days past the 6th due to inclement weather, etc. Yvonne will check with the school district and report back whether we should go with the 6th or 13th.

Nominating Committee

We must form a nominating committee this month. The committee must consist of two board members and one non-board member. Carmen volunteered followed by Ed. Jim Conkle also volunteered to be the non-board member for the committee.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 2000 hours.



MINUTES

Piñon Hills Chamber of Commerce

General Membership Meeting October 15, Year

The meeting of Piñon Hills Chamber of Commerce was held at the Chamber Meeting Hall, 10405 Mountain Road, Pinon Hills, CA.

Call to Order

The President called the meeting to order at 1820 hours.

Pledge of Allegiance

The Ed led us in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call & Introductions

The following members were present: Board members: Directors: Lori Weston. President Wendy Walker. Director Present Present Scott Brown, Vice-president Present Carmen Scherubel, Director Present Ed Greany, Secretary Yvonne Barton, Director Present Present Cheryl Beaman, Treasurer Present Calissa Bonds, Director Present Richard Hall. Director Absent

Other members present were:

Terry Fritzen Robin Greany Bonnie Butler (representing CERT in place of Valerie Piorkowski and Eddy Harrison.)

The Secretary distributed the Minutes from last month via email. Cheryl moved to approve Minutes as corrected, 2d by Scott. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer emailed a current financial report. The report was accepted by the Board.

President's Message & Announcements

The president announced the Kiwanis Quarter Mania fund event on November 16th. The tickets are \$10 each and includes a dinner and vote.

CSD parking lot contract matter is solved. We paid the rent for another 40 years which is the end of the contract. We need to get a writing to confirm this and eliminate a similar misunderstanding in the future by Chamber or CSD members.

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Looking for volunteers for our Halloween table set up next to Kiwanis stand in front of Stater Bros in Phelan on October 31st from 5-7 p.m. We tabled the idea of having a carnival type game to throw a pillow through a hole to get a larger size candy bar to October 2020.

The president inquired as to the status of our proposed E&O Insurance policy. We have not switched insurance companies yet for E&O or GL coverage. Our present insurance agent would like to come to our meeting and speak as to the difference in the policies.

Plans for Summerfest continue. We wish to set up the day before in order that everything will be ready to go on the day of the event. The event will occur before the school season is actually finished.

New Business

Ed moved to remove Director Richard Hall per Section 7, Article III of the Bylaws (After the fourth (4) absence, the office shall be considered vacant. Such vacancy shall be filled as provided by the Bylaws. Motion 2d by Wendy. Motion carried.

More Announcements

The president explained how Randy Sampias prepared his buggy for entry into the Phelan Phun Days Parade with Miss Pinon Hills riding along. Due to a difficult surgery by her mother, she was unable to attend the function and had to stay with her mother to assist. As a result, the buggy was not entered. Ed recommended we send a card to her mother. Lori will handle this.

Nominating Committee: Ed reported that after many phone calls, we have a proposed ballot. All existing officers will be on the ballot for possible reelection. The two Directors who completed their term are Carmen and Wendy. We have some names who have agreed to be placed on the ballot to replace Carmen, Wendy, and now Richard. They are Randy Sampias, Jim Conkle, Eddy Harrison, Bonnie Butler, and Phil Barone. A write in nomination is also open for each office and directorship.

Budget Committee: We still have no budget. Carmen wants a budget as do others. Ed mentioned a Budget alleviates getting a vote of approval to pay each incidental bill that comes before us for payment. Lori said it is impossible to have a budget unless we have a reliable source of income. We have to cease dipping into our reserves and figure a method of raising income. She mentioned the cook book, post cards, calendar, and license plate frames we could sell. The license plate frames originally were going to be through The Mountaineer Progress but the source died and that will not happen through them. We have found a few sources and we will want metal frames not plastic in order to last.

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Tourism Committee: Wendy reported on the pending Art Show October 26th. Voting take place the day before so winning ribbons can be displayed on the items at the show.

Scott reported on the Hi Desert Keepers hosting a Pumpkin Carving Contest in Phelan along with a spaghetti dinner on October 26th.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 1935.



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Piñon Hills Chamber of Commerce

General Membership Meeting November 19, 2019

The meeting of Piñon Hills Chamber of Commerce was held at the Chamber Meeting Hall, 10405 Mountain Road, Pinon Hills, CA.

Call to Order

The President called the meeting to order at 1803 hours.

Pledge of Allegiance

Randy led us in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call & Introductions

The following members were present:Board members:Lori Weston, PresidentPresentScott Brown, Vice-presidentPresentEd Greany, SecretaryPresentCheryl Beaman, TreasurerPresent

Directors: Wendy Walker, Director Present Carmen Scherubel, Director Present Yvonne Barton, Director Present Calissa Bonds, Director, III/Excused absent Randy Sampias, Director Present

Other members present included Jim Conkle, Carolyn Phelps (mother of Savana, Miss Pinon Hills), Robin Greany, and Bonnie Butler (representing CERT).

The Secretary distributed the General Membership Minutes from last month via email. Scott moved to approve Minutes as corrected, 2d by Cheryl. Motion carried.

Ed presented and read the Special Board Meeting Minutes of October 16, 2019 whereby Randy Sampias was elected to replace the vacancy of Director Richard Hall. Motion to accept by Wendy, 2d by Yvonne. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer emailed a current financial report. The report was accepted by the Board.

President's Message & Announcements

The President announced a movie premier "<u>The Girl Who Wore Freedom</u>" to be hosted by the Kiwanis Club on November 23rd. The tickets are \$10 each.

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The Big Rock Inn is having a Paint Party on December 4th starting at 6:30 pm – 9:00 pm. The theme will be a winter or holiday scene. Materials are provided for this fun night of painting and wine tasting. Reservations are required and pay \$25 in advance.

The Victor Valley Community Council (VVCC) is hosting a Craft Fair in Victorville on December 14, 2019.

CSD parking lot contract matter is resolved but we still need to get a writing to confirm this and eliminate a similar misunderstanding in the future by Chamber or CSD members.

New Business

Nominations for the Election of Officers and Board members for 2020 were opened up by Ed. Ed explained that no votes were received by the website email voting option at cast.my.vote@pinonhillschamber.online and the written ballot contains nominee's names who were previously nominated and accepted by the board at last month's meeting. They are:

President: Lori Weston Vice-president: Scott Brown Secretary: Ed Greany Treasurer: Cheryl Beaman

3 Directors: Bonnie Butler, Jim Conkle, and Phil Barone.

After Ed called three times for any additional nominations for any of the voting offices and hearing no response, it was noted that Phil Barone had not paid his dues and therefore was ineligible to accept a nomination. Therefore, Ed called for a motion to Vote by Acclimation. Scott moved, 2d by Wendy. Motion carried. Ed announced the winning candidates for 2020 are:

President: Lori Weston Vice-president: Scott Brown Secretary: Ed Greany Treasurer: Cheryl Beaman Directors: Bonnie Butler and Jim Conkle

Congratulations to the new Board.

At this time Scott had to leave the meeting for another personal matter.

Scholarship

Lori explained the scholarship program is to get kids involved in the community. This The 2020 year's established scholarship is \$2000 and the fund has not been decided yet to award it to one student or break it up into several scholarships of \$200-\$500 each. The candidate should express a desire to continue with their education by way of college, trade school, or some other planned future schooling. The funds are given to the school to award to the student(s) at the graduation ceremonies within some previous accepted guidelines.

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Ed questioned giving the funds to the school and believes we should control our funds ourselves. Carmen stated we've always done it this way. After an extended discussion of various ideas, Jim suggested a Scholarship Committee be formed. Ed asked if Jim would be willing to accept Chair of this committee. He agreed. Ed reluctantly agreed to support him by being on this committee also. Carmen suggested we ask Savana to be on this committee. We all agreed. The committee is composed of Jim, Ed, and Savana Phelps. We need a packet to present to the school(s) and public announcements in the press and on the website.

Some activities for their public service requirement are High Desert Keepers, Victor Valley Community Council, and the Post Office Garden. Ed will talk with the Sheriff's Office for possible voluntarism there also.

Advertising

Lori wants to pay for a \$40 ad in NewPlus to publicize the Chamber and also offer a holiday greeting. The wording will be determined later. Yvonne moved to act on this ad, 2d by Cheryl, motion carried.

Banquet

Yvonne mentioned she needs to know if we want to use the Big Rock on December 11th for the Induction of Officers for 2020. She is leaving town for a while and needs to be prepared. The only issue is the lack of a kitchen, table and chairs, and serving dinnerware. Lori will check on catering prices for at Big Rock or other location. Ed will inquire with Rick's Café if they would be interested. No decision on a location was made yet.

Summerfest

Lori opened up a discussion about Summerfest 2020. Bonnie mentioned the Fire Department will not be available on our pending date therefore no apparatus, fire house, etc. Only possible attendance would be a table and one or two fire fighters.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 1924.



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Piñon Hills Chamber of Commerce

General Membership Meeting December 17, 2019

The meeting of Piñon Hills Chamber of Commerce was held at the Chamber Meeting Hall, 10405 Mountain Road, Pinon Hills, CA.

Call to Order

The Vice-President called the meeting to order at 1800 hours until the President arrives in about half hour later.

Pledge of Allegiance

Randy led us in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call & Introductions

The following members were present:

Board members:		Directors:	
Lori Weston, President	Present by phone	Yvonne Barton, Director	Present
Scott Brown, V.P.	Present	Calissa Bonds, Director	Absent
Ed Greany, Secretary	Present	Randy Sampias, Director	Present
Cheryl Beaman, Treasure	r Present by phone	Jim Conkle, Director	Present
		Bonnie Butler, Director	Present

Other members present included Robin Greany, and Phil Barone.

The Secretary distributed the General Membership Minutes from last month via email. Yvonne moved to approve Minutes as presented, 2d by Bonnie Butler. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer emailed a current financial report. The report was accepted by the Board.

President's Message & Announcements

None.

Old Business

Scott reported the Liability insurance is quoted as 343. The D&O must be reapplied for as the premium may have changed by now. Scott will follow up tomorrow. It is estimated the annual premium to be around \$800.

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Summerfest

We must decide on a date for the event. The Fire Department's special event fire house and apparatus attractions will not be available on our pending date of May 29/30. The following week conflicts with the Fair and June 5/6 is after the school year ends. Jim moved to switch the event date to June 5/6. The motion fails for a lack of 2nd. Bonnie is to check with the Fire Department to see if June 5/6 would be available and advise.

New Business

Scholarship

Ed, Jim, and Savana worked on the Scholarship Committee. The Committee was unaware that Randy wanted to be on it also. Apologies to Randy for this oversight. He will certainly be included in continuing negotiations and plans.

Ed presented the work so far. The 2020 established scholarship is \$2000 and the fund being presented is to award four \$500 grants. One would go to Serrano, one to Chaparral, one to Snowline Academy, and one to a deserving teacher. Savana suggested splitting the \$500 grant into two \$450 grants between Chaparral and Serrano.

Bonnie suggested leaving Serrano and Chaparral at \$500 and splitting the \$500 grant amount to \$250 each for Snowline Academy and Eagle Summit. She also recommended we limit the teacher grant to a teacher at Pinon Hills Elementary School. This way, the award is retained in Pinon Hills. This suggestion received unanimous support.

The purpose for the teacher's grant is to allow a deserving teacher to do one or more of the following:

- 1. Teacher's personal improvement
 - a. on-line course fee, b. books, c. tuition for a course
- 2. Teaching aids/tools

a.Actual objects, b. maps, c. models, d. flash cards, e. pictures, f. slides, g. certificates, frames, etc.in order to properly recognize deserving student accomplishments

- 3. Perhaps if a teacher is in need of a major item to assist in class such as. . .
 - a. lab equipment, b. charts, c. flannel, bulletin, chalk, or white boards, d. projector, e. camera, etc.
 - ... this grant can be made to the school for the benefit of that teacher.

We anticipate that Jim's son Paul, a Pinon Hills Chamber of Commerce Scholarship Grant recipient 30 years ago will present this year award at the graduation ceremony. We will not require an essay from the student because the school's grant application sufficiently covers the information we seek. Volunteerism hours served will count highly.

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Committees

It is time to appoint people to 2020 committees. Special Events – Scott, Chair, Bonnie, Yvonne Summerfest – Yvonne, Chair Senior Health Fair – Sandy, Chair Art Show -Scholarship – Ed, Chair, Jim, Randy Audit – Ed, Chair, Bonnie, Robin Budget – Cheryl, Chair, Lori Tourism – Scott, Chair, Jim Membership – DJ Hill, Chair, Jim, Bonnie, Lori

Scott reported he sent in the paperwork for the award last Friday. He has not received confirmation of receipt by them yet.

Cheryl announced the balance in the checking account is below \$200 and wishes to transfer some funds from our other account. Jim moved to maintain a minimum checking balance of \$500 and to allow a maximum transfer of funds of \$1000 without Board approval, 2d by Bonnie. Motion carried.

Jim performs as Santa Claus at various locations and events. He recommends donating propane to needy families. Phelan Propane will match our donation and they know what families are in need the most. Jim moved to donate \$1000 for this purpose, 2d by Randy. Motion carried.

Ed thanked Yvonne for her generously in hosting our 2020 Board dinner last week.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 1920 without a vote.