

Pendleton Business Association

May 24, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 5:37 pm by President Jack Wilson in the Falls Park Office with 11 members present.

Minutes of the April meeting were accepted by consensus without vote and the treasurer reported a current balance of \$4098.56 with outstanding invoices State Road 38 sale but amounts not known at this time.

We currently have 52 paid members and still growing.

Brad Marks was present representing GVC Mortgage for the first time and briefly told what his position with the company entails.

Jack mentioned the new members paid since last meeting.

Phil Surratt and Jack Wilson updated information about the Business Directory. Ad deadline is Friday. Jack also mentioned that web page is updated to include the monthly spotlight from the PBA page in the Times-Post.

Julie Schnepf updated event info. Hwy 38 sale will be profitable. Amount of profit is still undetermined as there are costs pending. Event committee learned some useful info for future events. Volunteers to sign up for Fall Festival committees are needed. She also emphasized the success of "free advertising" when each member shares a PBA FaceBook post and presented some statistics reflecting the reach of just a few posts that have been shared. She is encouraging PBA members to alert her to upcoming events or "feel good" stories coming from your business so that we can post 2 or 3/ week in the next year.

The meeting then centered around the possibility of a new community center. The representatives from the town council that were present are very interested in community input as to whether the community center is wanted in town and if so, what would that center look like in regards to amenities. The financing options were also discussed. Brief discussion of possible location was also entertained. The consensus of the members attending was a desire for a meeting(s) to take place with some of the town council members and the business owners that this might affect (ie: My Time Fitness, Studio Fit, YMCA, the yoga studio) to get their input as to any possible impact on their business. Also, Jack will get an email out to all PBA members in the next week or so with a questionnaire regarding Pendleton strategic plan and possibly include a video spot from Mike Romack explaining need for input as to what is desired by the community.

Members were given opportunity to share updates/deals.

The next meeting will be June 28, 2017 at 5:30 pm, location to be announced.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:51

Respectfully submitted,

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Secretary-Treasurer