

**Broken Bow Chamber of Commerce
Board of Directors Meeting
August 28, 2019**

Present: Travis Barker, Lauren Long, Eric Zimbelman, Michelle Nelson, Abby Hilkemeier, Sara Arnold, Levi French, Shawn Kaskie, Jenny Fox, Deb Kennedy, Joni Kaczanowski

Absent: Melissa Garcia, Morgan Olson, Logan Girardin, Tammy Schall, Darren Tobey, Shantel Daake

Call to order: 12:02 pm

Action Items

1. Minutes & Committee Reports

- a. Motion by Lauren to approve, second by Sara, all in favor, none opposed.

2. Financial Report

- a. Motion by Abby to approve, second by Sara, all in favor, none opposed.

3. CD at Bruning Bank

- a. The CD at Bruning Bank is coming due very soon; therefore a decision needs to be made as to what to do with the money going forward.
- b. Bruning Bank provided multiple interest rate options, including 9 months at 1.85%.
- c. Eric also let the group know that Flatwater Bank has a 15 month option at 2.15%.
- d. After much discussion, it was decided to keep half of the original CD amount in Bruning Bank for 9 months at 1.85% and put the other half in a new CD at Flatwater Bank for 15 months at 2.15%.
- e. Motion to approve by Sara, second by Abby, all in favor, none opposed.

4. Update on Board Candidates

- a. Three board members will be finishing their 3 year term this year and one board member has the option to finish at the end of this year, or continue for one more year.
- b. The Chamber currently has two individuals who are interested in filling the vacant spots starting in January.
- c. Ideas for potential candidates need to be turned into Deb by October 1st, so that voting can take place mid to late October.
- d. An event of some kind will be planned for the end of the year to thank exiting board members and to welcome new board members to the team.

5. Personnel Policy Update

- a. No changes were suggested by anyone.

6. Chamber Bucks Rebrand

- a. The Chamber has obtained a quote for a new design for Chamber Bucks.
- b. Deb informed the group that the Chamber Bucks account currently has a large balance and she suggested that the rebrand costs be withdrawn from that account, as opposed to withdrawing them from the general account.
- c. Eric made a motion to use the quote for the rebrand and to use the Chamber Bucks account for the expenses, second by Lauren, all in favor, none opposed.

7. Other Communication

- a. Deb informed the group of multiple upcoming events in Broken Bow
 - i. September 12th-15th: Mid States Rodeo Finals
 - ii. September 18th-19th: Rural Electric Association Accountants Club conference
 - iii. September 19th: Third Thursday in the Square Finale

- iv. September 27th-28th: Junk Jaunt Weekend
- v. September 28th: Driftwood Legends Horse Sale
- b. Coupons cards will be provided for many of these events to encourage shopping in Broken Bow.

8. Special Guests

a. Jenny Fox (CAPABLE)

- i. Jenny provided information and packets regarding the new CAPS (Career and Professional Studies) program that has begun this fall in area schools.
- ii. The CAPS program has been designed to provide individualized career education for each student.
- iii. They are currently seeking local businesses to provide job shadowing opportunities for students. Please contact Jenny if you are interested.

b. Shawn Kaskie (Community Coach for the Nebraska Extension)

- i. Shawn introduced himself to the group and provided information and handouts regarding his position as a Community Coach for a 14 county region in Nebraska.
- ii. Shawn has multiple resources at his fingertips to aid individuals to build business in Nebraska.

Updates from Ex-Officio Members

- 1. CEDC**-not present
- 2. City of Broken Bow**-not present
- 3. Board of Supervisors**-not present

Closed session was not held.

Meeting adjourned: 12:55 pm.