

Columbia Chamber of Commerce Meeting Minutes

Board of Directors Monthly Meeting Minutes

Prepared by: Myia Davila

Meeting Date: June 15, 2022

Location: Eagle Cotage, Columbia State Historic Park

Called to Order: 5:36 pm

Present: Rosanna Sharps – Chairman President, Denise Favela – Interim Vice Chairman and Interim Vice President (3 months as of May 18, 2022), Jo Rodefer – Treasurer, Myia Davila – Secretary

Board of Directors: Michael Sharps, Leannha Rhodes, Nate Lint, Richard Haratani, Janine Osborne, Howard White

Absent Members: John Favela-Vice Chairman and Vice President

Quorum: Met, 10 members present.

Guests: Jaron Brandon-Tuolumne County District 5 Supervisor

Approval of Previous Minutes: March 16, 2022, pending from Prior Secretary, Denise Favela
May 18, 2022, completed by Myia Davila; approved by email
(9 yes, 0 No, and 1 no answer)

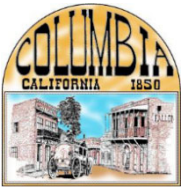
Treasurer's Report: Jo Rodefer, Treasurer

Current Balance: \$47,010.96.

\$9,062.42 belongs to the Chamber and \$37,948.54 in escrow belongs to the Ice Rink/WinterFest project.

Motion: to approve Treasurer's Report: Jo Rodefer; seconded by Myia Davila; Board all in favor; motion carried.

Columbia State Historic Park Updates: Kristan Robinson-Bates, Concession Specialist, is out on leave; no notes were read. Joel Memmer (not present) to cover absence and no additional updates were provided.



Tuolumne County Updates: Jaron Brandon, Tuolumne County Supervisor. Climate action plan still in process, housing, and road work in Italian Bar Road work still going on. Mr. Brandon indicated that he is still looking at roads in Columbia State Historic Park but there is no vehicular traffic available to support to fix the roads.

Columbia is the smallest fire district in the county with roughly an \$86,00 budget and covering only 1.1 square miles. The Tuolumne County Board of Supervisors had identified three proposals to increase fire protection for Columbia. First proposal involves annexation (increasing the size of the district). The second proposal is that the district will request additional support. The third proposal involves Schedule B (Wildland) by having the state provide coverage. Mr. Brandon requests that everyone send an email to all five Tuolumne County Supervisors at bosm@co.tuolumne.ca.us to express concerns regarding the need for additional fire protection in Columbia.

Event Update: Jo Rodefer, Treasurer and Event Coordinator for the 4th of July Celebration, indicated that the Grand Marshall has been selected as Roger Kirby. Food costs have increased by meal planning has been completed.

Thomas Fraser indicated that the fundraiser of pony rides with all proceeds going to the Chamber of Commerce would take away from his business and he was opposed to having pony rides for the 4th of July event.

Motion: to table pony rides to next year by Denise Favela; seconded by Howard White. 7 Aye, 1 abstain, and 2 no votes. Board in favor, motion carries.

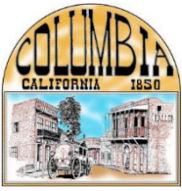
Motion: to charge \$14 for adults and \$10 for children for barbeque meals by Denise Favela seconded by Leannha Rhodes; Board all in favor; motion carried.

Event Update: Rosanna Sharps, President and Chairperson, discussed Fiddle & Bango contest. Jodi Barnett and Mike Keene will handle the contest portion. In 2016, the event brought in \$13.81 and \$577.62 in 2017. Chamber of Commerce to find a fundraiser coordinator.

Art show profit and loss provided and event is profitable.

Harvest Festival needs an event coordinator.

Winterfest has no additional funding and will be postponed one year.



New Business: recorder and transcription application no longer needed by the new secretary.

Motion: to cancel subscription and use of recorder by Jo Rodefer, second by Myia Davila, Board all in favor, motion carries.

Motion: to authorize treasurer to purchase QuickBooks software by Jo Rodefer, second by Michael Sharps, Board all in favor, motion carries.

Ribbons for parades will be explored but not specific to 4th of July

Chamber of Commerce Mixer scheduled on August 17, 2022.

Motion: to adjourn Jo Rodefer; seconded by Richard Haratani, Board all in favor; motion carried.

Meeting Adjourned: Adjourned by Rosanna Sharps, 7:35 pm

Next Meeting Date: July 20, 2022; 5:30 pm; Eagle Cotage