**Henderson Area Chamber Meeting** May 25, 2022 Schuette’s Ice Cream Shoppe

**Members Present**: Doug Thomas, Dee Thomas, Becky Pollack, Sharon Haggenmiller, Sue Felmlee, Bobbi Harder, Amy Hardel, Mary Pilling, Ned Pilling, Tom Bender

**Guest**: Dana Melius, Tanya Aydt

**Call to Order**: President, Sue Felmlee at 12:07 pm

**Secretary Report:** Motion to approve minutes by Mary, second by Dee, motion passed 10 – 0.

**Treasurers Report:** $5,027.50 checking. Reviewed income & expenses. Motion by Amy to approve the Treasurer’s report, second by Doug – motion passed 10 – 0.

**Old Business**:

**Membership:** Two new memberships, 15 members now.

**Garage Sale Days:** Twenty sales, 1 donation - $220 income. We are still waiting for the advertising bils to come in. Eight people had sales that didn’t pay the Chamber.

**MN River Valley National Visitors Guide**: Beth took care of this.

**City Flags**: Jeff Steinborn send an email to Sue F. and thought the city should take the lead of organizing putting them up and down. The chamber members can help but not be in charge. The flags are in the shed behind Schuette’s and Sarah has the key. Doug will talk to Lon.

**Small Business Saturday**: Sue and the board worked on a response to Susan Byrne’s email. Sue will send it to her.

**New Business**

**General Liability Insurance:** Sue said the insurance is due in June. It covers meetings and events. We discussed the events to insure for 2022 – Hummingbird Hurrah, Santa parade, Design Team Visit.

**Design Team:** Dana Melius said they are having a meeting tomorrow, May 26th at noon at Scheutte’s. Anyone is welcome to attend.

**Library Meeting Room:**  Going forward, Sue Felmlee will reserve the library room and get the key.

**Movie**: Doug reported on a movie that will be filmed in Henderson. The name of the movie is “Marmalade”. It is about a man in prison, and he thinks back to his life growing up in his hometown.

**City/County/School Repor****t**

**County** – Bobbi talked about the County Rd 6 project. The bonding bill did not pass, and we don’t know if there will be a special session. The county asked for additional 2.8 million in funding. Costs are higher now due to the increase in fuel. Doug explained the funding issue with the Greater MN Trails and how it wouldn’t be available until 2024. Bobbi talked about the bond holder for the Amberfield apartments wants to sell them. She also talked about the Sheriff’s department is having trouble hiring more officers. The county approved a pay increase for the sheriff’s department.

**City** – Amy did not attend the last meeting but did report that some repairs will be done on the street project. The city is looking for part-time police officers and Doug already gave the update on the trail and the movie.

**LSH School** – No report

**Other:**

**Roll-ins**: The Roll-ins start next week. They did a practice run last night and 125 cars showed up and a few vendors. The new speaker system should arrive next week. The cost is $20,000 and so far, $15,000 has been raised.

**Sibley County Museum**: Ann Tracy is setting up her display and it will be available for viewing most of the summer.

**Memorial Day Program**: The parade is at 10:30 am followed by the program and lunch at Bender Park.

Burgers and ice cream provided.

**Hilltop Field:** Joe Kane has organized two 15u teams and they will be playing there.

**Bloodmobile**: There is a blood drive at the Altona Colony on June 28th

**Ornament**: Dee said the new ornament should ship next week.

Adjourned at 12:50 pm– motion to adjourn by Dee, second by Amy – motion passed 10 - 0

Next meeting – June 29, 2022, at the Library Meeting Room