



**Membership Meeting. October 7, 2021. Bank of Colorado.**

**Roll Call.** Board Members Present: Nathan Sponseller, Tracy Ihnot, Sue Whittlesey, Kim Shay and Robbie Winne. Board Members Absent: Bill Long. Community Members Present: None.

**Call to Order.** Executive Director Nathan Sponseller called the meeting of the membership and Board to order at 9:04 am.

**Approval of Minutes.**

Recording Secretary Tracy Ihnot emailed the draft of the August 25 minutes to board members for review. Whittlesey made a motion to accept the minutes as submitted and Winne seconded. All were in favor.

**Treasurer's Report.**

Whittlesey provided the Treasurer's report prior to the meeting for board members to review. The current balance in operations is \$5,550.39 and special projects is \$16,514.33. Ihnot made a motion to accept the report as submitted and Shay seconded. All were in favor.

**Administrative Report.**

Marshall Floor Plan Request. The Marshall's office sent out a request to Hotchkiss organizations to provide floor plans for downtown area buildings. Sponseller provided information for the visitor's kiosk. Signboard Repairs. The Paonia direction signboard needed minimal repairs to the casing that holds the letters.

**President's Report:**

Swanda's recent resignation from HCCC's board due to an out-of-state relocation has left the position of President temporarily vacant.

**Presentations/Introductions:**

None scheduled.

**Old Business**

Colorado Grand Recap. Sponseller reported that Colorado Grand was very happy with the Hotchkiss morning coffee stop. Colorado Grand brought in \$3,256.07 net. Detailed notes will be kept for future planning in the event that they schedule another morning coffee stop in Hotchkiss.

Terms Expiring in 2021. Board members discussed the terms that will expire in 2021: Whittlesey, Sponseller, Ihnot, and Shay have expiring terms. Ihnot, Sponseller, and Shay all agreed to serve another term, if elected. Shay expressed willingness to step into the position of president. Whittlesey is considering stepping down if there is someone interested in filling her position. Board members will consider who may be interested in becoming a board member and try to get the word out before the November meeting.

Art, Craft and Business Fair. Tom Wills will not be planning the event in 2021 due to COVID concerns. HCCC board members discussed possibilities for securing a new volunteer to coordinate the event. North Fork EMS is planning for a 2-day event at Heritage Hall this year. Innot will follow up with the Hotchkiss Library Friends about a possible book sale during the event.

#### **New Business.**

Marshall Meet & Greet. As a co-sponsor of the event, HCCC Board Members discussed covering half the cost of the food. Shay covered half of the cost with personal funds and the Town of Hotchkiss the paid half. Innot made a motion for HCCC to reimburse. Winne seconded. Shay abstained.

Area Chambers. The Paonia Chamber is planning to join the Delta Chamber. The Delta Chamber continues to be interested in forming a countywide chamber. Board members discussed various considerations and Sponseller reached out to the Crawford Chamber to get an idea of their intentions.

Policy Discussion. Tuesday, October 12, B of CO.

Annual Meeting. Innot is working on the details for the event, which will be held on Thursday, November 11 from 5:30pm to 7:00pm at the Creamery Arts Center. Innot suggested Shannon Ullman for harp music during the event. The budget for music is \$50. Innot will contact Taco Hut to cater food for 30 people and provide plates, utensils, and napkins. The Creamery Arts Center will provide beer, wine, and ice cream for sale. Sponseller will contact Big B's Juices for a non-alcoholic beverage. The awards ceremony for Person of the Year, Business of the Year, and Non-profit of the Year and board member elections will occur during the last half of the meeting. Sponseller will put an announcement in newsletter next week. Innot suggested the HCCC recognize Mary Hockenbery during the meeting for the Governor's award she recently received.

#### **Committee Reports.**

**Hotchkiss Prosperity Plan update.** No updates.

**Outreach Committee.** No updates.

#### **Announcements/Non-Agenda Items.**

Sponseller will include information on upcoming CDOT highway construction projects in the area in an upcoming newsletter.

**Next Membership Meeting.** Meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 27 at 8am at the Memorial Hall Ballroom.

**Adjournment.** Sponseller adjourned the meeting at 1:25 pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted,

Tracy Innot, Recording Secretary