

**Divide Chamber of Commerce  
Business Meeting Minutes  
January 13, 2010**

**The meeting was called to order at 6:10 pm by President Lisa Lee at John Wesley Ranch.**

**In attendance:** Lisa Lee, President; David Martinek, Vice President; Tami Romano, Treasurer; Jodi Mijares, Secretary; Joe Kain, Board Member; Beverly Stiles, Board Member; Andy String, Board Member, Carmon Stiles, Guest, and Kenny Funk, Host

**Election of officers:** Lisa Lee will retain her position as President, and David Martinek will retain his as Vice President. Tami Romano was elected treasurer, and Jodi Mijares will retain her position as Secretary. 2010 Board Members are: Joe Kain, Andy String, Beverly Stiles, and Lee Taylor.

**Bank Accounts:** Tami reported the following bank account balances:

PSB Building Savings:       \$3665  
PSB Operating Checking:     \$2120  
PSB Operating Savings:     \$2084

Joe Kain made a motion to have President Lisa Lee, Vice President David Martinek, and Treasurer Tami Romano be the signators on the above three Park State Bank accounts, that the treasurer may alone sign any check under \$250, and that 2 signatures be required for all checks more than \$250. Andy String seconded the motion, and all were in favor.

**Christmas in Divide:** Revenue from Christmas in Divide totaled \$2,605.26.

Only three vendor comment sheets were returned to us. Complaints listed were:

- Not enough advertising
- Bad weather (snow)
- Shoppers weren't buying

The following disbursements of Christmas in Divide revenue were discussed:

- David Martinek made a motion to donate \$100 to the Summit Elementary PTSO, and \$150 to the Summit Elementary Music Department. Checks are to be written in a manner described by Principal Eric Owen, to insure donations reach these two programs that participated in Christmas in Divide. Joe Kain seconded the motion. All were in favor.
- Joe Kain made a motion to donate \$100 to John Wesley Ranch as a Thank You for hosting Chamber meetings and functions. David Martinek seconded the motion and all were in favor.
- David Martinek will provide THE Coalition with a Thank You letter for their participation in Christmas in Divide. A donation will not be made at this time.

**Gifts:** Lisa suggested that the Chamber present a gift to former Treasurer, Nancy Desilets in gratitude for her many years of service. Joe Kain made a motion that the Chamber purchase a \$50 Visa gift card for Nancy. Andy String seconded the motion, and all were in favor.

**Member Directory:** Lisa and Jodi have created a 2009-2010 Membership Directory. Listed within are all business that held memberships at the end of 2009. Jodi will send these directories out in the membership packets to those who renew or join in the first quarter of 2010. These directories will be updated later in the year to reflect any new members and can be distributed at events throughout the year. The 2010-2011 directory will be created in November, to be ready for Christmas in Divide.

**Membership Renewals:** The first notice for membership renewals has been sent out by email. Jodi will send applications by mail to those who have not yet renewed at the end of January. Additional email reminders can be sent in February. Those who have not renewed by the end of March will lose their membership status and will be removed from the website.

**Woodland Park Chamber of Commerce:** David Martinek brought up the possibility of reciprocal memberships with the WP Chamber. A membership with them would cost us \$100, but may give us access to post our events on their community calendar. No decisions were made at this time.

**The Midland Depot:** David Martinek reported that the Depot may be ready for occupation by this summer. THE Coalition has moved some file cabinets into the building for storage, and the Chamber may do so as well.

**Website:** Lisa and Jodi have been researching other website service providers. In 2009, Divide Chamber expanded its membership base, community presence, and activity. As a result, the Chamber is in need of a more interactive and fully operational website. Jodi and Lisa have received several bids, with Valcom being the most competitive:

Basic set up \$250

Member Directory \$50

Calendar of Events \$50

Shopping Cart \$50

Paypal account set-up and link to shopping cart, approx \$100

David Martinek made a motion to authorize Lisa and Jodi to negotiate with Valcom and begin the process of building the website, with a total cost not to exceed \$500. Joe Kain seconded the motion and all were in favor.

As the calendar of events and shopping cart are not crucial at this time, Lisa and Jodi will look into the possibility of adding them at a later date.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 pm. The next meeting will be held at John Wesley Ranch on Wed. Feb. 10, at 6:00 pm.

**These minutes were approved by all officers and board members via email to Jodi Mijares on Friday, January 15, 2010.**

Jodi Mijares  
Secretary