

Divide Chamber of Commerce
Monthly Meeting Minutes: Wednesday, April 17, 2019
Historic Midland Depot, Divide, CO

Board Role Call:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Business</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Attendance</u>
Lisa Lee	Shipping Plus	President	Absent
Dave Martinek	RE by Dave Martinek	Vice President	Present
Greg Smith		Treasurer	Absent
Kathy Hansen	Ute Country News	Secretary	Present
Joe Kain	Ancestral Arts	Director	Present
Chris Thornton	John Wesley Ranch	Director	Absent
Robert Kowell	RDK Small Engine	Director	Present
Lee Taylor	Edward Jones	Director	Present
Peter Hintze	RDK Small Engine	Director	Present
Teddy	Ancestral Arts	Mascot	Present

Members Present:

Jeff Hansen/Ute Country News
Trudy Feldhauser
Gerrod Walker/When Nature Calls Pest Control

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Midland Days will be May 18 at John Wesley Ranch celebrating the 10th Anniversary!

DISCUSSIONS:

Renewals:

As new secretary, Kathy asked if it would be acceptable to send one last notice to those who have yet to renew their memberships and include a statement that their information would be removed from the Divide Chamber website if renewal is not received by the end of May. A list of those yet to renew was read (and one renewal wrote the check).

Insurance:

Lee and Dave shared their experience and history of why the Divide Chamber requires insurance, the primary reason being the three major annual events of Divide Kite Flight, Christmas in Divide and the Divide Wide Garage Sale. It seems Divide Chamber has been more consistent holding the events than the presence of Teller County, so we cannot count on their presence (or insurance). All agreed insurance is an important tool to protect the Divide Chamber, its board and members. Given the extensive work Bunny Sabula did to procure the current policy, and also given that conditions tend not to change dramatically from year to year, it was suggested and agreed we can continue with the same policy/same provider for a few years before it needs to be up for pricing comparison. All were in favor. Dave completed the form and gave to Kathy for Lisa's signature, after which it will be transmitted to The Insurance Company for renewal.

John Wesley Ranch:

A brief discussion ensued that Chris Thorton, current caretaker of John Wesley Ranch is going through some life changes as his wife has landed a new job out of state. The understanding is Chris will remain in Colorado for another year. We discussed the many events related to the Divide Chamber that have been held at John Wesley Ranch, including Midland Days and holiday parties to name a few.

FINANCIALS: Greg Smith unable to attend.

NEXT MEETING: Wed, May 8, 2019 at 6 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting was adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted: Kathy Hansen – Secretary, Divide Chamber of Commerce