

**Divide Chamber of Commerce**  
Monthly Meeting Minutes: Wednesday, June 12, 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	Present
Dave Martinek	RE by Dave Martinek	Vice President	Present
Greg Smith		Treasurer	Present
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	Absent
Lee Taylor	Edward Jones	Director	Absent
Peter Hintze	RDK Small Engine	Director	Absent
Teddy	Ancestral Arts	Mascot	Present

**Members Present:**

Trudy Feldhauser  
Jeff Hansen/Ute Country News  
Mike Isle/Divide Timber  
Gerrod Walker/When Nature Calls Pest Control  
Bunny Sabula

**FINANCIALS**

Dave Martinek gave a nice-sized check to DCC from Midland Days' registrations. The money is being saved for renovations of the building.

A discussion took place to see where we are with repayment of the sign in Divide. The balance due is \$1,182.88. Everyone present agreed it was best to make the final payment to pay off the sign. Next month's meeting will be a BBQ to celebrate the sign being paid off.

Lisa discussed the insurance and will meet with Joy tomorrow to assure both liability and directors/officers policy are in good standing.

Additional discussions on finances included increasing the annual membership dues as they have not been increased in over 15 years. Ideas to stagger the cost based on how many employees the business had was briefly discussed. As costs of other chambers were shared and the size/demographics of our Divide community considered, another idea to increase the membership dues to \$75 businesses/\$50 non-profits seemed to be a reasonable charge. Given there was no quorum, discussion tabled until we have a quorum.

There was also discussion to increase the hourly wage for secretary to meet current minimum wage standards was entertained. Topic tabled as no quorum.

### **MIDLAND DAYS**

Dave shared how pleased he was with the attendance and comments from participants and Midland Days. Dave reported about 1/3 attendees were new patrons out of the approximately 40 attendees. Dave mentioned the cake as well as the 2 Harvey Girls who served the meal. Dave will choose which photos to upload to the DCC website and forward them to Kathy.

### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

**July 10 meeting will be a potluck BBQ and celebration** for paying off the sign! Lisa and Dave will bring beer. Joe will bring baked beans. Jeff and Kathy will provide 4 pounds of grass-fed burgers, buns and probably a pasta salad. Mike and Trudie will bring hot dogs and buns. Joe will contact Bob Kowell to bring the grill. Lisa will bring condiments. ALL members are welcome to attend, bring a dish to pass and join us in celebrating the sign being paid off!

**The Kite Flight is a go for August 24.** Chamber members are welcome to set up a booth for free. We hope to have the same organizations as attended last year's event. It was agreed the following people will contact the following organizations:

Dave – Sheriff's posse

Lisa – Darlyn Miller and Divide Fire Department

Bunny – Masons and hopefully they will contact the clown from the Shriners.

Kathy – TCRAS and Mueller State Park.

Lisa will draft an invite.

**Christmas in Divide.** There were additional inquiries since last month on CinD. We discussed sending applications, accepting payments and sending email confirmations. In order to assure a wide variety of items for sale, Joe agreed to email secretary if accepting applications so we can avoid having too many of similar products.

It was also discussed it would be more advantageous to increase the price of the table space by \$10, than to acquire items for the silent auction that won't sell and end up being donated. Lisa will re-design the application to reflect \$55 for 8-foot table and \$45 for 6-foot table. The application will state the fee is non-refundable.

**NEXT MEETING:** Wed, July 10, 2019 at 6 p.m. Celebration of sign being paid off.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

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