

Pocahontas County Chamber of Commerce Monthly Meeting
Snowshoe Career Center
March 19, 2009

The meeting, held at the Snowshoe Career Center was called to order by President Malinda Meck at 6:00 p.m. Present were: Gail Hyer, Sherry Radcliff, Malinda Meck, Kevin Wingfield, Bill Harold, Nelson Hernandez, Helen Woolridge, Ginny Ramos, Coby Brown, and David Cain.

The **minutes** of the February meeting were approved after a motion by member Brown and a second by member Radcliff.

Treasurer Cain made a **financial report** and included copies of the most recent bank statement of February 27, 2009 with a balance of \$17,385.47 with no outstanding encumbrance. Member Radcliff made motion, seconded by member Woolridge, the monthly report be accepted as offered; passed unanimously.

Under old business: The business and service awards were discussed to insure the plaques had been ordered from Broughton Sports. Jerry Ramos offered to write the presentation for both Janet Ghigo and Mitchell Chevrolet. Thank you to Rick Malcolm for offering to pay the cost of the plaques.

President Meck reported on the **Web site activity** for the month of February. There were 1755 sessions on the site with the index, festival and directory the most trafficked. Member Cain indicated the new 2009 forms for the RoadKill Cook-off were now on the site. No further discussion on PayPal.

Member Cain indicated he would provide to President Meck the phone number of the **Chamber Choice** contact so she could telephone them to inquire about their future insurance plans.

Member Cain presented an information sheet of **detailed miscellaneous expenditures** over the past two years. The budget committee will have a report and recommended budget for the April meeting.

Members Radcliff and Hyer offered to make phone calls to members who did not RSVP yet on the **annual dinner meeting**.

No **CVB report** was given as the representative John Mutscheller was not present.

The **Make It Shine project** was then discussed. Member Hernandez encouraged everyone to make contact with scout troops, 4H leaders, any youth or community group to assist with the Make It Shine Project, which will center along the Greenbrier River Trail and the Greenbrier River at Marlinton and which will be April 18. Member Given has written a nice article which appeared in the Pocahontas Times Newspaper. Member Hyer offered to make posters if the other members would help with the distribution. The group decided best not to provide lunch but to encourage assistants on the project get lunch in town.

Treasurer Cain informed the group he made **accounting entries** to indicate the recent Chamber brochure design and the business card design were paid by providing membership and Web updates

to Creek Hollow Designs.

Treasurer Cain informed the group he was busy during the month of March and unable to continue looking in to the group's **501 (c) (6) status** but that he would make every effort to do such during April as the hiring of a part-time employee is dependent upon such designation

Under new business - The group agreed to continue to pay for the pccoc.com domain name as it now served as a pointer to the current Web site of pccocwv.com

No action taken on the ad for the county map effort.

Member Hyer opened a discussion on providing a page on the **Chamber's Web site for non-profit civic groups** in the county. Member Woolridge will check with the Web master to secure prices for developing a page and keeping it updated. Member Hernandez suggested one page for the non-profit listings with contact information and days/times of meetings. Further discussion will be ensured at the April meeting.

The next meeting is scheduled for April 16, 2009 at 6:00 p.m. at the McClintic Library Education Room.

Meeting to adjourn by member Wingfield seconded by member Harold; passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Gail Hyer, Secretary
