

**Pocahontas County Chamber of Commerce Monthly Meeting**  
**September 18, 2008**  
**Snowshoe Career Center, Marlinton**

The meeting, held at the Snowshoe Career Center in Marlinton, was called to order by President Malinda Meck at 6:10 p.m. Present were: Margaret Worth, Bill Harold, Coby Brown, Nelson Hernandez, Sherry Radcliff, Cathy Mosesso, Malinda Meck, Gail Hyer, David Cain, Sunny Given, Gayle Boyette, and Helen Woolridge.

With a motion by Sherry Radcliff/ Nelson Hernandez second the Board accepted the treasurer's report.

David Cain provided the treasurer's report and a copy of the bank register for August 2008. Sherry Radcliff made motion financials be accepted, seconded by Helen Woolridge, passed. Three outstanding bills, one for Festival ribbons (\$91.18), WV Chamber of Commerce (\$200.00), and one for Web maintenance (\$74.20) were discussed. Sunny Given made motion to pay/seconded by Sherry Radcliff, motion carried.

Under old business: There was no business under Service & Business Award.

Web site stats were discussed – July sessions were 2925 with August being 2755. The festival page remains the most popular. Malinda reported she had not obtained information on individual member pages but will attend to this during the next month.

David Cain gave an update of the WV RoadKill Cook-off and Autumn Harvest Festival. There are three judges, 78 crafters, along with four bands, a magic show, and demonstrations on quilting, ceramics, and apple pressing. Sunny announced there would be a pet show in front of the Pocahontas Times building on Second Avenue Saturday sponsored by the Humane Society but no horse show on Sunday. Sunny Given made a motion/second by Bill Harold to include 15 to 20 new Autumn Harvest Festival/WV RoadKill Cook-off photos on the Web site at a cost of \$10.00 each. Motion carried.

Sherry Radcliff made motion/seconded by Gayle Boyette to “include vote by email as an option for voting in emergency situations proving there is a quorum.” Motion approved. Gayle Boyette said she would do research on the NetMeeting to see if it would work as an option for full meetings in times of weather emergencies.

Gail Hyer reported the staffing committee met and has a draft job description. After edits, the committee should be ready to pass on the draft to the full board in either October or November.

The account review by Carte Hall CPA, LLC was handed out. The firm provided the treasurer with a few edits to be made to the accounting system.

The Work Force Community meeting held on September 4 was discussed.

Under new business: Reporting of David Cain's trip to the state Chamber of Commerce meeting was tabled until the next meeting.

Coby Brown reported on the Work Force Community meeting (Create West Virginia). At the initial meeting on September 4, the Chamber was asked if they would like to head up the movement in Pocahontas County. Sherry Radcliff made the motion/seconded by Helen Woolridge to "pursue Create West Virginia and send one person to the Create WV conference October 20 – 22, 2008 at Snowshoe Mountain. Motion carried.

Helen Woolridge made motion/seconded by Gayle Boyette that Malinda Meck represents the Chamber at the October meeting of Create West Virginia with the Chamber paying for the costs of \$229.00 - \$349.00. Motion carried.

The group agreed to sponsor a Meet the Candidates night on October 4 at Pocahontas High School. The Chamber will provide refreshments and help where necessary. Helen Woolridge is the main contact and anyone wanting to assist her that night can contact her at 456-4828. David Cain made motion/seconded by Gayle Boyette to spend no more than \$100.00 on this event. Motion carried.

Gayle Boyette made a motion/seconded by Sunny Given that "We sign the Participation Agreement for WV Chamber of Commerce for Health Insurance." Motion carried.

The next meeting is Thursday October 16 at the Career Center. Motion to adjourn meeting by Gayle Boyette, seconded by Bill Harold, motion carried.