

Pocahontas County Chamber of Commerce Monthly Meeting
CVB office Marlinton
Sept 17, 2009

The meeting, held at the CVCB office in Marlinton was called to order by President Malinda Meck 6:00 p.m. Present were: Gail Hyer, Sherry Radcliff, John Mutscheller, Nelson Hernandez, John Mutscheller, Sunny Given, David Cain and Jeanette Wagner.

The minutes of the August meeting were approved after a motion by member Radcliff and a second by member Given.

The treasurer's report was given by David Cain and a motion to accept was made by member Radcliff, seconded by member Mutscheller, approved.

Discussion followed about the PayPal account available on the Web site so people could purchase t-shirts and other materials. Member Hyer made motion, seconded by member Given to invest \$10.00 a month for 12 months to make a shopping cart available on the site, approved.

Motion made by member Given, seconded by member Mutscheller, to sign the necessary forms to begin utilizing the Pay Pal option on Web site.

Under old business:

Under Web site updates, August produced 5906 sessions compared to 5400 for July. President mentioned most of the new traffic was aimed at the Festival page.

Chamber Choice item was tabled with a note that Helen Woolridge is working on the project and it should be available soon.

The annual budget item was presented by Treasurer Cain and came in at a final \$5,800.00. Member Wingfield made a motion, seconded by member Hernandez, that the suggested budget be considered the Chamber's operating budget for March 2009 to Feb 2010, approved.

Also under budget item on agenda, member Hyer made motion, seconded by member Jeanette that the President appoint a three member committee to do an internal audit and that the bylaw committee define more clearly the word audit in the bylaws to include "an in-house audit," approved. The committee is Sherry Radcliff, Jeanette Wagner, and John Mutscheller.

Member Mutscheller gave a report on the CVB status and activity. Because of increased marketing, the CVB will produce 150,000 travel guides this year, an increase of 36%. He also reported the grant for the Historic Marlinton Railroad Depot was approved with building beginning in January 2010.

Under tax exempt status, Treasurer Cain reported he received word from the IRS of receipt of required documents and that the IRS may take as much as 90 days to make a finding.

Next meeting – Jeanette will confirm if it can be at Mitchell Chevrolet on Oct 8, 2009.

Respectfully submitted,

Gail Hyer, Secretary