

GREATER WHITTIER CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

March 18, 2013

ATTENDING: Sandy Bartles, Fee's Custom Seafoods; Andrea Korbe, Chugach School District; Raymond Nix, Crazy Ray's Adventures; Pete and Marilynn Heddell, Cap't. Cook Books; Bill Rome, Willard Island Video; Sue Cogswell, PWSEDD; Dyanna Barnes, C.O.W.; Gordon Burton, D.O.T.; Svetlana Burton; Margaret Varlamos, Swiftwater; Dave Goldstein, PWS Eco-Charters; Tim Melican, Magic Bus; Lisa Kruse, Phillips Cruises; Kristen Labrecque, Saltwater Excursions; Rebecca Langton, FCS.

CALL TO ORDER: 12:12. Dave pointed out 2 spelling errors in February's minutes. Dave approved minutes, Margaret 2nd.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: The map is printed. The terminal has 4 cases and started passing out the new maps. Mass distribution will start in May. There is a new city manager, Thomas Bolen. Bob Prunella is no longer with the city.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Sportsman shows have been paid for. Maps are not paid yet or the website. Map cost is the same as last year. Mailings still included in the cost. VMS check has not yet come in. Margaret approved report, Dave 2nd.

CITY REPORT: Dyanna – Tom Bolen is from Haynes and Kotzebue. He has a construction and municipal government background.

Dave – Ethics complaints have been brought. Please attend the City Council meeting 3/19, 7pm.

Dyanna – 2 spots need to be filled on the ethics board.

OLD BUSINESS

Membership: Website is getting updated. Still accepting photos

Sportsman Shows: Rebecca will be picking up the maps, candy, etc for the show. Aurora Productions letter for the 'Crystal Masquerade' donations was sent around. Dyanna was asked for a letter from the city as far as things going on to be shared with people at the shows. There are still plenty of options for donating time for either show. Please contact Rebecca at jars_1990@yahoo.com to sign up. You may bring your rack cards and business cards to Rebecca at the Tudor Home Depot.

Derby: Kelly - Jim Norris has stepped down. We are looking for assistance, please. Thinking maybe we should table/rethink the king derby until we see the return this year. Info was given to the group as to what all is entailed in running the derby.

Pete – In the 90's, Deshka kings were used in PWS, maybe this program can be brought back.

Dave – Maybe start this as a weekend thing.

Ray accepted the derby position.

NEW BUSINESS

Sue – signs are ready to go up for tsunami escape routes.

Andrea – 'Halibut on the Harbor' halibut will be available at the next meeting.

Ray – He and his Family will be running Jumping Salmon Lodge in Chenega this summer as well as Capt. Cook Books in Whittier.

Lisa – Visit anchorage.net for information on the commissioning of the USS Anchorage.

NEXT MEETING WILL BE IN WHITTIER AT THE INN AT NOON