**Candor Chamber of Commerce**

**Monthly Meeting Minutes**

**11/29/2021**

**7:00pm**

**TOPIC: Upcoming Events, Nominations**

**IN ATTENDANCE VIA ZOOM:**

Terri Rennells

Cheryl Berg

Dick Zavatto

Dave Astorina

Suzanne Johnson

Jessica Spaccio

Maria Cole

AGENDA: Daffodil Festival

Chamber Board Nominees

Holiday Bazaar

Newsletter additions

Suzanne: Meeting started about 7:30pm

* We started later, waiting for folks to join.

NOMINATIONS:

DAVE: I nominate Dick to Vice President position!

DICK: Accepts nomination

He will be the nominee for this position for all to vote.

* Not sure if board or all members will vote him in.

MARIA: FYI Rita mentioned a special meeting be held December 27th for the director vote.

DECEMBER 1st NEWSLETTER:

SUZANNE: What would you like to see highlighted in this newsletter?

From all: Bake sale, Holiday Bazaar, Nominations, Membership dues, Maria’s new shop at the mall advertised,

HOLIDAY BAZAAR:

MARIA: When can we get in the fire house and who has the key?

CHERYL: Linda Wintermute has the key, I just called her and you can get in on Friday and at 7am on Saturday. I will stop by her house on Saturday morning and get the key from her if she can’t do it that early.

MARIA: Do we have raffle tickets?

JESSICA: I may have some and Rita may have some. We have lots of pending payment for vendors still.

MARIA: Many are going to pay in person on Saturday. NEW INFO after meeting: If I don’t get confirmation from them about that, after I email them tomorrow, I will slot someone in from the waiting list.

JESSICA: I received insurance info from the Kettle corn folks. Are they going to be there?

MARIA: Not that I know of – I will check. Likely we will have Taco set-up from the Legion. If any of us can bring soups or stews we can offer to make sure we have a back-up.

SUZANNE: I can make a huge pot of soup.

Nancy Riggs said she would help at the Chamber table.

MARIA: Should masks be required?

DAVE: Yes

SUZANNE: Yes

MARIA: Yes. We will have signs out requesting/requiring masks as the Delta variant is spiking particularly in Upstate NY.

NEW INFO: The governor of NY has declared a state of emergency (no mask mandate in place yet)

**JUST RELEASED FRIDAY 11/26**

**“NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Kathy Hochul, Governor of the State of New York, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and the Laws of the State of New York, hereby find, pursuant to Section 28 of Article 2-B of the Executive Law, that a disaster has occurred in New York State, for which the affected local governments are unable to respond adequately, and I do hereby declare a State disaster emergency for the entire State of New York through January 15, 2022;”

DAVE: Can’t be there. You can use the Green Man. Will drop it off at Fire House on Friday.

Call Linda Wintermute to have Fire House sign changed to announce Holiday Bazaar!

Jessica, Cheryl & Suzanne will help with Green Man; start it up & make sure put away at end of day.

DAFFODIL FESTIVAL:

JESSICA: Reviewing the document she created, shared with all in Google Docs.

SPONSOR LETTERS: They are ready to go out.

Do we want to offer them what it states here?

1)Their logo on a banner at festival

2)In the directory handed out at the festival

3)Advertised as sponsor beforehand

Dave, Suzanne and Cheryl say yes.

MARIA: Request sponsors donate by March 1st.

JESSICA: Okay, I will get those out. I will send out the list of sponsors. Please add names of others that you know of that are not on the list.

BUDGET: Reviewed budget as listed from previous year.

BANDS: Should we start booking? Should we pay?

DAVE: Probably like last year – same folks, free

SUZANNE: Once we get sponsor’s and vendor’s $$$, could we budget $500 for bands/a band? It will help draw more people with a good band.

MARIA: The band Rick Fry & Trick Shot was really good and they are $300. I can see if they are available. They can play nearly anything people request and people really enjoyed them and lots of dancing.

$500 okayed for band budget – can adjust depending on income closer to event.

HOURS: 10-5pm – same as last year.

VENDORS:

FEES: $35 for Members & $50 for non-members still good.

APPLICATIONS: Maria will handle applications – they will go out to previous vendors the 1st week of January.

NUMBER OF VENDORS: We can up the vendors as there was a lot more room on the ball field. Add 2 more rows for a total of 100 vendors. This will include the spacing for safe distancing and cars parked off site like this year.

FOOD TRUCKS: How Many next year?

DICK: 7-8

We all agreed. Jessica updating notes a we discuss.

Questions still to discuss:

WINE & BEER? By the glass?

KIDS AREA? CORN HOLE? Depends on status of pandemic

LET’S ADVERTISE EARLY – “SAVE THE DATE!”

Can begin to go in newsletter

MICELLANEOUS DISCUSSION:

HOLIDAY PARADE:

SUZANNE: Who manages the Holiday Parade, the FB page says nothing about theme or how to join or what to do to participate.

DAVE: Bill Strousal runs it. We can get more involved, help with it next year.

SUZANNE: I would love to do that. It was really fun and could use advertising, food trucks, etc... Lights on houses were beautiful.

TERRI: We need more lights!

All agreed!

NEW IDEAS:

SUZANNE: Contra dance with caller, vendors, food trucks at pavilion summer/fall

Square dance with caller vendors, food trucks at pavilion summer/fall

MARIA: January Member Mixer – Breakfast, lunch or dinner – at Punks or something for members to meet and bring in new members.

Raffle for a free membership

Have applications there to renew or join right then.

DAVE: EMS could offer the first aid class if they still need to raise money.

TERR: Let’s have a business spotlight once a month. Focus the advertising, interview etc. on one business.

SUZANNE: Yes! I like the sandwich board that Tioga Chamber has – that says that. They take photos of business and highlight them. We could do that.

Signage

Photo shoot

More focused advertising

THE MISFITZ:

DAVE: there are some member issues and we need to reach out to members to check in.

Meeting adjourned 9:15pm

NEXT CHAMBER MEETING

Will be our

ANNUAL MEETING

With any members that attend

Monday December 13th

at 7:00pm on Zoom