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Elizabeth Area Chamber of Commerce Meeting
Thursday, May 27 @ 6:00pm, Village Hall Meeting Room

Call to Order- Linda Ganster
Time: 6:00pm **Attendees:** Sign In Sheet

Secretary Report & Minutes - Cheryl Rife
Motion Made: Merri Seconded By: Tammy Vote- Passed

Treasurer's Report - Lisa Walters. $9,246.53
Motion Made: Tammy Seconded By: Peggy Vote- Passed

Committee Reports
Events

- Spring Fling Date - June 5th — Jason Thomasson, Paula Olsen
- Cancelled-Spring Music Festival - June 6 — Pastor Mike Nesbitt
- Battle of Apple River Fort - June 20,21 — Elizabeth Papp
- Freedom Fest Update - July 1 — Merri Sevey

Updates provided with Discussion on sponsorships, presence of Elizabeth Ambulance, Bingo, Hanover VFW, Obstacle course for kids, closing the Food & Drink during the jumpers (6:45-7:30) and Vets to honor.

- Fourth at the Fort - July 4 — Elizabeth Papp
- Elizabeth Community Parade - July 17 — Tammy Trebian

Updates and discussion provided regarding buttons, categories of floats, need for small vehicles, Linda will cover in Tammy's absence, Signs for parking.

- Elizabeth Community Fair Bingo - July 16, 17, 18. Shelly Callan

Encouraged to sign up to work. Need for promotional items from businesses for extra prizes

- Midwest Garlic Festival - August 28 — Lazlo Marton

Tourism & Accommodations Committee

- Adopt-A-Pot — Lara Walters

Need for new pots next year. Will begin to research what's available.

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- Galena Country Tourism — Merri Sevey

July Guide in development, Offers available through the county for Midweek retreats, Buses are beginning to return, Businesses encouraged to send events to the events calendar.

Business Education & Advocacy Committee
- COVID Pandemic Update

Marketing Committee
- 2021 Visitor's Guide Update — Cheryl Rife

Membership Committee
- Website Calendar — Peggy Francomb
- Chamber Newsletter — Peggy Francomb

Updates regarding notes and deadlines for production.

Village of Elizabeth — Mike Dittmar or Village Rep.

Discussion with possible action re: letter of support for Steve McIntyre to replace Scott Toot as the Elizabeth Area County Board Member.

Tammy made the motion, Merri seconded to submit a letter of support to County Board for Steven McIntyre. Steve conferenced by phone in to the meeting and shared intent to help communities grow and develop and get people back to work to improve shortages. Motion carried by membership present.
Mike addressed the ongoing Catlin street improvement. Additional $50,000 anonymous grant received. Improvements to Schap Park, Veterans Memorial, ?Park—Big Turtle. Police Chief to be identified soon. Updates

Eco-Devo/Fair Board — Joe Ambrosia

Open Forum

*Exchange of Rack Cards, Business Cards, Menu's, &/or Flyers by all Businesses!
*The Workshop Community Meal Information

Food Truck Update—Jason Thomasson Village Board leading the Regulation updates.

Linda led discussion of Elizabeth Area Chamber of Commerce Bylaws and need for Revew/Updates. Tammy motioned Members review Bylaws for discussion at our next meeting. Merri Seconded. Motion Carried.

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Adjournment Time: 7:15
Motion Made: Peggy Seconded By: Shellie Vote- Passed

Next Meeting: June 24 @ 6pm in the Village Board Room