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Elizabeth Area Chamber of Commerce Meeting
Thursday, September 23 @ 6:00pm, Village Hall Meeting Room

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

Secretary Report & Minutes - Cheryl Rife
Motion Made: no quorum Seconded By: Vote- Passed/Failed

Treasurer's Report – Lisa Walters. = $7,762.24
Motion Made: no quorum Seconded By: Vote- Passed/Failed

Old Business
Elizabeth Area Chamber of Commerce Bylaws Update & Review by Board of Directors on August 5 at 6:00pm Village Hall Meeting Room.
Key Points Reviewed & Edited Update Linda Ganster
Motion Made: Seconded by: Vote- Passed/Failed

Committee Reports
Events
- Midwest Garlic Festival - August 28 review All
  No final report yet from Lazlo. Members felt it was a smaller, but still successful event.
- Review Events remainder of 2021
  - Veterans Day Recognition. Merri will work with Brad Albrecht & last year's plan at the school.
  - Scarecrow Festival. Flyer will be posted. Corn stalks will be placed on the Main Street Light Poles on Saturday, October 2 @ 9.

Tourism & Accommodations Committee
- Galena Country Tourism Kirsten Bell/Merri Sevey
  - Per Merri the "ELIZABETH" sign has had a final design and will be placed in the Village (aka purple) Park.

Village of Elizabeth Mike Dittmar/Village Rep.

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>Festival Grant
Discussion re: the Grant and possibility of developing Freedom Fest. Those present agreed that a committee should be put in place. Ideas included using increase dollars for fireworks, food, kids activities, family activities, music, car show, marketing.
>Mayor Mike shared the installation of Electric Car Chargers. Level 3 ($80K) in the Square Parking Lot and Level 2 ($20K) at Terrapin Park. These will be noted on the 'electric car' App and Ads on Google.

Eco-Devo/Fair Board Joe Ambrosia

MAPPING Update Mike Dittmar/Merri Sevey
Steering Committee has organized 3 meetings: October 11, October 18 & November 15 from 5:30 to 8:30 at the Elizabeth Community Building. Cap is set at about 40 participants; Email invitations have been sent.

Open Forum
Discussion of low attendance at Chamber meetings. Linda made a motion to have the October meeting as Virtual, Mike Seconded, motion carried. In addition to finalizing the updated Bylaws, the topics include the Festival Grant, Christmas Plans, & MAPPING.

Adjournment Time: 6:50
Motion Made: Lisa Seconded By: Mike Vote- Passed

Next Meeting: October 28 @ 6pm in the Village Hall Meeting Room