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Elizabeth Area Chamber of Commerce Meeting
Thursday, March 25 @ 6:00pm, Village Hall Meeting Room

Call to Order- Linda Ganster
Time: 6:00 pm **Attendees:** Sign In Sheet
Linda opened the meeting by thanking Merri and all the Board members for their leadership, time and commitment to the success of the Chamber.

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

Treasurer's Report - Lisa Walters. ($8446.38)
Motion Made: Tammy Seconded By: Peggy Vote- Passed

Committee Reports
Events Committee -

- Event Organizing Sponsor Discussion. — Handout provided for each event. Members asked to review and work with Linda or Cheryl for any changes.
- Spring Fling Date - June 5th — Planning to begin with Illinois Bank & Trust and Apple River State Bank as the Organizing Sponsors
- Freedom Fest Update - Merri Dittmar. — Event is July 1. Music will be Ten Gallon Hat and 2 other bands yet to be determined. Jugs and Hanover VFW will be vendors. Merri is working with the National Guard for displays. There is also the possibility of Funky Monkey Wrestling.

Tourism & Accommodations Committee

- Adopt A Pot Update — Pot planting and Main Street Clean-up is May 8.
- GGMI Update - Co-op Marketing Program. — This January Room & Board revenue exceeds January 2019. Consistent comments from visitors are that they come here because we have 'space and it is safe!'

Business Education & Advocacy Committee

- COVID Vaccine Update — Another level of distribution will open on March 29 (e.g. Food & Beverage workers, Religious Leaders and Construction workers.

Marketing Committee

- 2021 Visitor's Guide Update—Cheryl Rife—Committee work continues. Guide will focus on events and things to do in the area. Terry is very positive about the changes and the feedback he is getting from businesses related to purchasing ads.

Membership Committee

- Dues Update—Lisa Walters—Campaign for membership dues to be paid @ half price by the end of the month continues.

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Village of Elizabeth

- MAPPING Update—The program is oriented to the Fiscal Year that begins in July. More to come then.

Eco-Devo/Fair Board —The 100 year Fair and Parade plans continue for July 16, 17 & 18.

Open Forum – Pastor Mike reported the Community of Christinas Family Music Festival will by June 6 from 2pm to 8pm. There are 6 bands scheduled and congregations are organizing other activities for the event.

Adjournment Time:
Motion Made: Merri Seconded By: Tammy Vote- Passed

Next Meeting: April 22 @ 6PM in the Village Board Room