

**Barron Chamber of Commerce Meeting Minutes**  
**August 17, 2017**

In Attendance:        Jan Jorgenson    Angie Buckley        Pat Thornby    Jennifer Cox  
                              Ann Matheny    Lauren Maas        Alex Zamarripa    Sophia Kieler  
                              Maria Siebel

Absent: Melissa Klump, Liban Ismail, Kristin Bernal  
Meeting Led by Maria Seibel

Approval of the June board meeting minutes. Motion made by Alex Zamarripa to approve the minutes, seconded by Jennifer Cox. Motion carried.

Financial Statement-Jan Jorgenson presented the financials for approval for June & July. Motion made by Pat Thornby to approve, seconded by Jennifer Cox.

Committee Reports:

1. **Merchant Committee:** The banners should reflect the community and Barron, we should work with the school to coordinate the same banner.
2. **Business & Industry:** Venue was Anderson Park with Music in the Park. August 15, 2017. Cupboard & Closet was the recipient of the business award. There were 11 business booths present with two of them non-members. It was loud in the pavilion during the presentation and hard to hear the speaker. Signs to advertise the event to the public should be considered as advertisement in the future.
3. **Festival Events:** Fall Fest planning is also complete. There is a concern with Skippy's having a Chicken dinner and band at the same time as the Pig Roast dinner and band in the park. Discussion will take place with area businesses so this type of thing will not happen next year.
4. **Retail Promotions:** Reusable bags will be ordered with promotions added to them when the bags are used. A motion was made by Jennifer Cox and seconded by Jan Jorgenson to purchase 1000 bags. Motion carried. The committee is also discussing a Trick or Treat at Gordy's parking lot, Santa's workshop and the Beer & Wine Tasting.
5. **Young Ambassadors/Membership:** The Young Ambassadors had a Bake Sale earning \$103.00. They also attending Business & Industry Day/Music in the Park and visited new businesses Highway repair, Superior Sand and Hoff Financial.
6. **Administrative:** A discussion took place regarding the decisions made by the Merchant's Committee and whether they are reviewable by the board. Should the bylaws recognize the separation of the Merchant's Committee? Should a separate email be used to stop any confusion as to who the sender is? Andrew Harrington will be contacted for advice.
7. **Budget/Finance:** Did not meet

8. **Other:** A motion was made by Jan Jorgenson and seconded by Alex Zamarripa to donate \$150.00 chamber dollars to the Doc Stanley walk. Motion approved.

Meeting adjourned.

Jan Jorgenson