



September 12, 2017

Members Present:

John DuBois of Sacopee Eye Care, Jeff Gilliland of Sacopee Vet Clinic, Beverly Russell of Sacopee Vet Clinic, Scott Rowley of Scott Design, Photos by Rowley, Ethel Phinney of Cornish UCC, Patty Rowley of Bolt, Cristina Forsyth of Bustle & Grow, Patrick Harrigan of Better Homes and Gardens, Brad Perkins of Maine Real Estate.

Meeting was called to order at 7:03 pm

A quorum was established.

Secretary Report: Patty Rowley presented the June Meeting Minutes and they were approved unanimously.

Treasurers Report: Teresa Drown sent the report of the activity since the June Meeting.

The Community Harvest Bazaar had expenses of \$587.27 and and income of \$856.50. 25% of profit went to Cornish Fairgrounds leaving CAB Profit of \$201.93.

The Strawberry Festival had expenses of \$1206.36 and income of \$1907.10 leaving CAB profit of \$700.74.

There is a current bank balance of \$2835.70. Reports was approved unanimously.

Event/Committee Chairs

Apple Festival - We discussed the antique fair that will be at the Cornish Fairgrounds this year. Our only responsibility is that we will share the cost of a bus to shuttle people to and from the Fairgrounds where they can park more easily. We need volunteers to man the bus stop on Fiddle Lane and High St.

John DuBois will be calling CAB members to volunteer at the CAB booth. Scott will be calling CAB members to volunteer for Friday afternoon set up, Saturday early AM setup of stage, after event clean up, and bus stop attendant! Cristina can help on Friday with her truck. Call Scott if you can help! WE NEED MANPOWER!

Patty explained the CAB booth auction. it will be a "Chinese auction" where folks will buy a \$5 sheet of 20 tickets with their unique number and they can put their tickets in boxes next to the

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item(s) they wish to win. Vendors are donating items. CAB members can donate as well as they have in the past. Let John DuBois know if you have an item to donate. Volunteers will need to monitor it closely this year.

Scholarship Committee - Brad reported that we received a very nice thank you note from this year's recipient.

Membership Committee- it is time to recruit members! Cristina and Bev will begin work on this. We can all invite people to join CAB. All information is on the CAB website. www.cornish-maine.org

Strawberry Festival - Bev will be chair for next year. She is starting plans early! She is looking to the Maine Crafters Associates to get vendors who are just starting out!

Business After Hours - Report sent from Katti Simpson. We enjoyed hamburgers and hot dogs at Sacopee Vet and toured the facilities! It is our hope that these events continue to grow and inspire even non-members to join along as it offers great networking for local businesses.

The next Business After Hours Event will be October 18 from 5-7pm at Bangor Savings Bank. Teresa indicated there will be a speaker on a relevant business topic.

Community Committee - No report

Community Harvest and Bazaar event -The event was well attended! All vendors were very pleased. They wish we would hold it monthly. We discussed ideas to keep the event going strong, such as music, a BBQ cook off... One suggestion was to add a second port-a-potty.

Marketing- Scott reported that stats have almost doubled since the new website has been in place. Posters and flyers for Apple Festival were handed out and Patty will have them at Bolt for anyone who was not at this meeting.

Open Discussion

Patty mentioned that we need a nominating committee to begin getting officers for next year. The vote is at the November meeting. Jason Dulap has resigned as Vice President, he is unable to continue due to family commitments. Cristina volunteered to head a nominating committee. Contact Cristina if you would like to be on the Nominating Committee or if you would like to be an officer.

Cristina reported on her research about CAB becoming a Chamber. We formed a new committee which will meet Friday October 20th at 1:00 to discuss how to move forward with the information and how to survey all businesses in this area about the idea of forming a Chamber. Committee is Cristina Forsyth, Patrick Harriman, Bev Russell.

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Next meeting - October 10th at 7:00pm at Cornish United Church.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:10 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Patty Rowley