

**The Community Voice of Dove Creek Minutes**  
**Monday, October 28, 2019- 5:30 PM**  
**115 South Guyrene**

**Desired Outcomes: Review Evaluation Semi-Annual Report, Elect or Retain Officers**

**Roles:** Chair Ellen Warren, Vice Chair Robbie Nelson, Treasurer Shauna Snyder, Secretary Lindsay Murdock

**Staff:** Ronda Lancaster, Community Coordinator-Heather Nielson, Community Outreach Organizer

**Present:** Chelsea Garchar, Cecil Martin, Shauna Snyder, Lindsay Murdock, Robbie Nelson, Ellen Warren, David Newton

**Absent:** Madalyn Baker, Kim Alexander

**Agenda Approval:**

Robbie Nelson made a motion to accept the Agenda as presented. Chelsea Garchar seconded the motion.

Motion- Robbie Nelson  
Yes - 6                      No - 0

Second - Chelsea Garchar  
Abstain – Ellen Warren

**Approval of minutes from September 23, 2019**

The minutes approved as written. Chelsea Garchar made a motion to approve the September 23, 2019 minutes. Robbie Nelson seconded the motion.

Motion – Chelsea Garchar  
Yes – 6                      No – 0

Second – Robbie Nelson  
Abstain – Ellen

**Old Business**

**Rural Funders Learning Network (RFLN)**

Ronda Lancaster gave a report on the Rural Funders Learning Network (RFLN) visit. The visit is set for Wednesday, November 13<sup>th</sup>. The panel has been set with Brett Martin, Steve Garchar, Charlotte Forst, Malynda Evans, Walker Cressler, Taylor Hickman, Heather Nielson, Ronda Lancaster and a Resident Team Member. The group will arrive around 11:00 a.m. We will serve a working lunch. Tera Wickman will be the facilitator. Questions will be asked from the RFLN about the community funding needs. Information about the visit will be sent out to the panel members next week.

**Retreat Date**

Discussion about the date for the Retreat was held. Ty Gray and Gus Westerman have indicated they would not be available for November 15<sup>th</sup>. The Resident Team discussed another date so that all entities could be represented. Ellen Warren suggested that maybe December 13<sup>th</sup> would

be a better date. That is a Friday as well. Ronda Lancaster will check with the ones that cannot be present on November 15<sup>th</sup> to see if December 13<sup>th</sup> would work better. The Retreat agenda will be discussed at the November 4<sup>th</sup> workshop meeting.

### **New Business**

A vote was taken to make David Newton a Governance Team Member. David has attended several meetings and indicated he was interested in becoming a Resident Team and Governance Team Member.

Motion – Lindsay Murdock

Yes – 6

No – 0

Second – Robbie Nelson

Abstain – Ellen

David was welcomed to the Team.

### **Youth Voice Group**

Shauna Crawford discussed the Youth Voice Group and the need to get the numbers of the group back up. Shauna and Lindsay offered to assist Heather and Robbie to build the youth team again. Shauna suggested that there be a game night that the current members could bring a friend. Shauna also felt that the group was too focused on developing the officer positions and working on projects that was boring to some of the kids. Shauna suggested that the Youth Voice stay more informal with realistic projects. There has also been an issue with younger kids not understanding the purpose and joining in the discussion. There were suggestions that there be a game night as a recruitment tool and that older age youth be recruited.

### **Board Training**

This could take place after the 1<sup>st</sup> of the year. Felt there was a need, but with everything else going on, a later date would be better.

### **Communication Effort**

Cecil Martin discussed the communication problems within the community. DCTV could be used to advertise for the businesses. Cecil suggested that we take the businesses off the bookmark and advertise on DCTV. This could be deposited around Dove Creek as well. It was suggested that we also work toward a Business Builder group like Cortez has presently. The role of the Chamber of Commerce was discussed and how TCV could assist the Chamber of Commerce to bring businesses together. More research and discussion will continue later.

### **Critical Thinking**

#### **Robbie**

Robbie Nelson discussed that she was researching writing a grant for a decorticator for hemp fiber. Robbie said that she had contacted the County Commissioner's office to obtain data. Robbie was informed that because of the latest Farm Bill, data was not being collected. Robbie

did learn that the County Commissioners had approved an oils processing plant for Loren and Linda Workman.

**Shauna**

Reminded everyone that November 5<sup>th</sup> was election day. Scott is running for school board and would appreciate everyone's vote.

**Cecil**

Continued discussion his concern for the area businesses and the need for TCV to make a communication effort. This is of great concern with the fact that businesses are failing.

**Chelsea**

Didn't have anything. Family doing well. Moved in as much as possible.

**Ellen**

Asked Chelsea if she would be interested in putting the Welcome Baskets together. Ronda has been doing it. Could put several baskets together at one time. Chelsea said that she would be interested.

**Lindsay**

Didn't have anything

**David**

Asked the Resident Team if they had heard of the SCORE. This a group of retired CEO's that provide assistance to business owners free of charge. There is a national organization. Dove Creek could possibly take advantage of this group to assist and could possibly have a chapter. More research will be done.

**Adjournment:**

Shauna Snyder made a motion to adjourn. Second was made by Robbie.