

## **Minutes of the Cowan Commercial Club**

The Cowan Commercial and Community Club met on Tuesday evening, July 21<sup>st</sup>, 2020 at Nick's Pizza & Pasta with the following members in attendance: Mary Bledsoe, Kallie Britt, Kristina Britt, Rendi Britt, Joyce Brown, Mark Ledbetter, Mary Nickelson, Nick Nickelson, Jarod Pearson, Kim Shelton, and Amanda Wiseman.

Mary called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m. The minutes from the May meeting were read aloud and accepted as presented. (The June meeting was canceled due to local funeral arrangements.)

Kristina, the Treasurer, reported a balance of \$2,985.22 in the main account and \$737.16 in the special account. Kristina noted that our special account is in dormant status. Jarod recommended that she file a maintenance on the account, which will place it back in active status. Jarod also presented the first set of paperwork to get our charter with the State of Tennessee up to date.

Jarod passed around a document reporting on the trip to Casey Jones Village. The members who attended discussed the experience with those who could not attend. The document gave some specific ideas, one of which is to create Depot District marketing colloquium for the downtown businesses, the railroad park, and Cowan Railroad Museum. Jarod will present the document and lead a discussion at Cowan Railroad Museum. He would like to see a proposal and marketing agreement emerge between the two organizations that will propel us forward.

Kim reported on the Fall Heritage Festival. A meeting will take place on Thursday, the 23<sup>rd</sup>, to make a final decision about holding the event. Kim shared some of the input she received from vendors. If we choose to hold the festival, we will need additional helping hands and people on the ground to make it a success. Jarod moved that Cowan Commercial send a \$100 sponsorship if indeed the committee votes to proceed. The motion was briefly discussed and passed.

The next meeting of Cowan Commercial Club will be held on Tuesday, August 18, 2020 at Nick's Pizza & Pasta. The members thanked Nick and Mary for hosting the meetings in their beautiful facility.

With no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

L. Jarod Pearson, Secretary