



T·H·R·E·E F·O·R·K·S CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Promoting Strategic Economic Growth and Vitality



Great American Rail—Trail Event in Three Forks

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CHAMBER OF COMMERCE INFORMATION

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS

President—Brooke Leugers, Member
 Vice President—Karen Walton, Member
 Treasurer—Ranee Berg, Chiropractic Clinic of Three Forks
 Secretary—Tanya Gonzalez, Tanya R. Gonzalez CPA PC
 Board Member—Tara Forsberg, Stageline Pizza
 Board Member—Jeff Elliott, Three Forks Schools
 Board Member—Chuck Wambeke, Industrial Automation Consulting
 Executive Director—Connie Hussung
 Website Administrator—Katie LaLiberty



Next TF Chamber Meeting

Monday, June 10th, 2019—at 12 pm (Noon)

Location TBD

All Members Encouraged and Welcome to Attend!

**Get Involved
For the
Greater
Good!**

**Three Forks Chamber
Farmer's Market
Stick Horse Derby
Sponsorships Available!**

2019 Three Forks
Annual Rodeo will be held
July 19th & 20th, 2019!

Please help spread the word!

Three Forks Chamber of Commerce

Unapproved Minutes

May 13th, 2019

The May Chamber meeting was held at the Three Forks City Hall. Present at the meeting were President, Brooke Leugers (Member); Vice President, Karen Walton (Member); Treasurer, Raneë Berg (Three Forks Chiropractic Clinic); Secretary, Tanya Gonzalez (Tanya R. Gonzalez, CPA, PC); Board Member, Jeff Elliott (Three Forks Schools); Board Member, Chuck Wambeke (IAC); Executive Secretary, Connie Hussung; and the following Chamber members; Kelly Cooper-Bugland (KTB Property Management, Traveler's Ink, Be Lazy Quilting); Christina Kamps (Main Street Office, Traveler's Ink); Dave Tutor (Tudor & Associates); Anne Cole (Three Forks Community Bank); Kim Gelder (Headwater's Food Bank); and Jack Berg (Three Forks Chiropractic Clinic).

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Brooke.

Welcome Members and Visitors: Brooke welcomed the members and thanked them for their attendance. She announced that she has appointed Tanya Gonzalez as Secretary to fill the open position and finish out the remainder of the term to commence at the end of 2019.

Approval of Minutes: The April 2019 unapproved minutes were sent prior to the meeting, for review. The April 2019 meeting did not have a quorum, so both sets of minutes were up for approval. Chuck motioned to approve the March 2019 meeting minutes, Karen seconded. All approved. The April 2019 meeting minutes were motioned for approval by Renee, seconded by Karen and approved.

Treasurer Report: Reports were sent prior to meeting. Raneë reviewed the Profit & Loss, Budget to Actuals, and Balance Sheet. Concern for low membership income was discussed. It was agreed that Connie would report next month on membership numbers and any non-renewing memberships.

Expenses: V.I.C. telephone \$9.99; Office Depot print toner \$45.99; Pay Pal Fees \$6.10; Adobe fee \$45.98; USPS Relocation Packet \$9.25; Iron Horse Café \$10.00 Fun Money reimbursement; Payroll for Connie Hussung \$723.45 (Executive Secretary) and Katie LaLiberty \$153.76 (Website Administrator); Karen motioned to approve payment of expenses, Chuck seconded and the board approved.

Executive Secretary Report: Connie reported on the month of April. The month was spent focusing on the preparations for the opening of the VIC. Meetings have been held with Linda Noble, Pat Townsend, and Cheryl Lehr. Details and reports will be sent monthly to the Chamber once the VIC is open. They will con-

tinue to provide numbers of visitors and general feedback on the new location in the newly renovated Trident Depot. I have also spent time beginning to contact vendors for the July Rodeo Dayz. The Special Events Committee was not able to meet in April, but did meet the first week of May.

There were 46 calls received/returned, 121 emails, 1 visitor packets and 0 relocation packets sent, and 0 tent rentals.

Website Administrator Report: Connie read Katie's reports as she was unable to attend the meeting. Her time during the month of April was spent on updating renewal/membership information on the website; updating the summer events calendar on both the website and Facebook, setting up internet for the VIC and answering information requests received via the website.

Committee Reports: Civic & Economic Development Committee: Jeff Elliott and Chuck Wambeke – Chuck and Brooke attended the NRMEDD District meeting during April. They discussed a potential joint Chamber meeting at the Gallatin County Fairgrounds and was asked to gauge interest. Brooke discussed the desire to be involved in the MACE training. Chuck stated he will be speaking on Business Recruitment this coming Wednesday, May 15th. Hosting a combined county commission meeting is also being considered. **Special Events Committee:** Raneë Berg reported that the Special Events committee met in Early May to discuss the Rodeo Dayz Parade. The overall theme will be "Western Celebration of our Community Volunteers". The committee is looking for additional volunteers for street closings. Also reported was the coordination with the radio station to make the announcement available throughout the parade route.

Ambassadors Committee: Karen Walton, Brooke Leugers & Tara Forsberg –Brooke reported on the ribbon cutting for Three Forks Floral on May 1st. The next Business After-Hours event is planned for June 12th from 5:30 -& 7:30 and will be held at VIC at the new location. The theme will be a follow up from the last After-Hours Event - "How to Start & Maintain a Business in Three Forks". An announcement will be placed in the June LCJ.

New Business: Connie discussed the opening of the VIC set for May 24th. It will now be housed in the new Trident Depot building. There are less employees this year, but work shifts have been adjusted to cover all open times. **Old Business:** Directors Stipend & Marketing – Brooke discussed that other Chambers are hiring out personnel to perform the work that is now often completed by volunteers in our Chamber. Tanya added that the budget for a stipend was previously approved

and that there should not be an issue providing directors a stipend to encourage participation. Chuck suggested that an additional committee for Internal Operations be formed to look into duties, provide employee reviews and review the stipend issues. Both Brooke and Chuck agreed to be part of that committee if it was so formed. **Next Meeting:** The next meeting will be held on Monday, June 10th at noon. It will be a luncheon meeting, locations to be determined. Motion to adjourn was made by Raneë Berg and seconded by Karen Walton and the meeting adjourned.



The Great American Rail-Trail Event was a huge success held at the newly renovated Trident Depot in Three Forks!! People came from far and near to attend the ceremony and join in the celebration of adding the Headwaters Trail System to the elite list of "Gateway Trails" that spans across the United States!! What an honor for the City of Three Forks and for Gene and Pat Townsend, who have been the driving force behind the Headwaters Trail System. They have spent an unimaginable amount of hours dreaming about, planning for, and actually doing the work to build and maintain the great Headwaters Trail. The Headwaters Trail is enjoyed not only by our community, it is enjoyed by folks who visit our area from all over the world!

Upcoming Events

- TF 8th Grade Promotion—May 22nd at 7pm
- Last day of school— in Three Forks-May 23rd!!!
- VIC Opens—Friday May 24th
- Memorial Dal—Monday, May 27th
- Headwaters Heritage Museum Opens—June 1st
- TF Chamber Meeting-Monday, June 10th at noon (location TBA)
- TF City Council Meeting-June 10th at 7pm
- TF Chamber Business After Hours—June 12th at the VIC 5:30pm
- Headwaters Country Jam—June 13th—June 15th
- Flag Day—June 14th
- Father's Day—June 16th
- First Day of Summer—June 21st!!
- TF City Council Meeting-June 24th at 7pm
- TF Chamber Stick Horse Derby—July 18th—5:00pm
- Three Forks Annual Rodeo—July 19th & 20th—7:00pm each night
- Three Forks Rodeo Dayz Street Fair—July 20th
- Three Forks Rodeo Parade—July 20th at 11:00am
- Headwaters Bank Run—July 27th (more details to come)
- 24th Annual Tobacco Root Classic Golf Tourney—July 27th—28th
- Annual MT Antique Airplane Assoc Fly In—August 2nd—4th
- Rockin The Rivers Concert—August 8th—August 10th

Farmer's Market Stick Horse Derby

Sponsorships are available!

Chamber Members can sponsor a Stick Horse for \$20 each!

The Stick Horse Derby will be held
Thursday, July 18th at 5:30pm in Milwaukee Park
during the Farmer's Market!

The Stick Horse Derby is an absolute blast for
kids, parents, friends and the entire community!
It's a great kick off to the Annual Rodeo Weekend!

Sponsor a Stick Horse
and plan to come on out and join the fun!

Contact Diane Phillips at 539-5817 or
contact the Chamber office at 285-4753
Or tfchamber@gmail.com

Add your business to the Stick Horse Derby
Sponsor List Today!

Three Forks High School Graduation

Sunday, May 19th at 2:00pm

Three Forks High School Gymnasium

Congratulation to the Class of 2019!!



Three Forks Farmers Market

Every Thursday
beginning July 11th, 2019

4 pm - 7 pm

On the lawn at Milwaukee Park

Come down for dinner ~
yummy food available each week
offered by our local non-profit organizations!
Drawing for Chamber Fun Bucks Every Week!

Vendors apply at
www.ThreeForksMontana.com

Or call: 285-4753
to request a vendor packet!!



Three Forks Chamber of Commerce Business After Hours / Open House

Wednesday, June 12th at 5:30pm at the
VIC in the newly renovated Trident Depot.
Light appetizers and drinks will be served. The theme for
discussion will be "How to Start & Maintain a Business in
Three Forks" with Tanya Gonzalez
hosting the discussion.
Everyone is welcome to come and join the fun!

**~ Three Forks Chamber Membership Renewal ~
New Process and Renewal Schedule**



Three Forks Chamber Committees

Civic & Economic Development Committee

Committee Leads ~ Chuck Wambeke and Jeff Elliot

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Ambassador Committee

Committee Leads ~ Tara Forsberg and Karen Walton

Karen Walton and Brooke Leugers talked about putting together “welcome bags” rather than baskets for new businesses that come to Three Forks. They are still looking for more items from businesses to put in the bags such as business cards, pens, coupons etc. Brooke would like the Chamber to consider ordering some Chamber logo items to have on hand for give away. She is doing research on how much some items will cost. Karen shared a very nice Discovery Map that is put out by the Bozeman/Big Sky area. Three Forks is not on the map, but they feel the Chamber should really consider getting added to this map. It is very colorful and is distributed to many areas statewide. The Chamber will consider using advertising budget dollars to be included on the map in the future. A business after hours is being planned for 6/12 at the VIC which is going to be located in the newly renovated Trident Depot. It will be held at 5:30pm until 7:00pm. They will use a similar theme as the After Hours that was held at Stageline Pizza earlier this year.

Special Events Committee

Committee Leads ~ Rancee Berg and Brooke Leugers

Rancee Berg reported that the Special Events committee met to discuss and do further planning with Three Forks Rodeo Dayz . Attending the meeting was Chuck Wambeke, Connie Hussung, Rancee & Jack Berg, and Kim Gelder. The theme for the Rodeo Parade will be “A Western Celebration of our Community Volunteers”. The Grand Marshals for the parade will be the Headwaters Area Food Bank Volunteers. All other volunteer organizations such as the TF Ambulance, TF Fire Dept, TF Youth Rec Task Force, Boy Scouts, and all other volunteers and organizations in our community are invited to participate and be recognized for all the great hours and service given over the years. The magic show with Ed Groves has been confirmed. Connie will confirm the DJ. Discussion was held around asking the Radio Station to give some help with announcing the parade participants and also doing a live broadcast during the parade. Chuck will do more research on how we can make this work. There will be a car show at the Sacajawea Hotel again. The Food Bank will be doing some kind of a fundraiser during Rodeo Dayz. They are looking for good ideas from everyone. The Chamber will coordinate with the Headwaters Fair Board with all advertising and use the same branding graphics. Rancee reported that the Rebekah Easter Egg Hunt was well attended and they thanked the Chamber for the help in getting the word out.

We’re off to a good start to our new year! New officers are in place and new committee leads have been appointed. Everyone is ready to hit the ground running to help make our Chamber year one of the best ever!

More enthusiastic discussion was held at the March meeting! Good things are in the works, and our membership is excited to reach out to all businesses in Three Forks and get them on board. Our community is growing, our community is changing, and our community is full of so much potential! We’re ready to grab it by the horns and make the most of every event and every opportunity to help our businesses take advantage of every good thing!

Just a reminder that last year we changed the way memberships are renewed. Members are now on a “date to date” schedule. This means that if you renewed your Chamber membership in March, your annual membership renewal will be due in March, 2019...if you renewed in April/May, your annual membership renewal will be due in April/May, 2019 and so on. Membership renewal invoices will be in the mail very soon for those who are due in March, April, and May.

Chamber membership can be renewed online too! Please visit the Chamber website at www.threeforksmontana.com. Follow all the prompts to renew. It can be paid online by using Pay Pal or you can choose the option of mailing a check to the Chamber. Renewing online is fast, easy, and convenient. If you have any questions about the renewal process, please let us know. We are here to help!

We’re already off to a **GREAT** year!
Let’s work together to make it the **BEST** ever!

“Did You Know”.....
Last year’s TF Annual Rodeo dates (July 13 & 14) were the earliest dates that the Rodeo had ever been held. This year’s TF Annual Rodeo dates (July 19 & 20) are the latest dates that the Rodeo has ever been held!!

The Three Forks Progress Rebekah Lodge will hold a Bake Sale on June 14th at the Three Forks Market. It will begin at 9:00am and go until all the baked goods are sold! Yummy!!



**Welcome to our new
Three Forks
Chamber Member !!**

Three Forks Floral
101 South Main Street
Three Forks, MT 59752

Local:(406) 285-4500

Open 9:00am—5:30pm



**JUNE 13 - 15, 2019
THREE FORKS, MT**

**Three Forks
Visitor Information Center
Opening for the Season on May 24th, 2019**

**Located in the newly renovated Trident Depot in
Milwaukee Park!**

Open Monday thru Sunday—10am—7pm

Free Advertising to
Chamber Members in the VIC
Drop off your business cards, brochures or coupons
to be displayed and given to visitors!

Welcome to our VIC Staff!

**Linda Noble, Linda Wilcox
Brooke McLees, Carolyn Miller,
Judy Hecker, Mary Miller!**

These community members are amazing hosts to all the visitors who stop by for information about our local area.

They are a welcoming first smile, and make strangers feel like they are right at home when they visit our town.

Thank you to all for your dedication and positive energy, and for being such gracious VIC hosts!

Headwaters Heritage Museum and Gift Shoppe
at the headwaters of the Missouri River
Three Forks, Montana
202 S. Main ~ PO Box 116 ~ 59752
406-285-4778 or 406-581-5546

Railroad & Trident Heritage Center
112 N. Main
Milwaukee Park behind the orange caboose

museumonmain3fmt@gmail.com

tfhistory.org

**Three Forks
Chamber of
Commerce**

Your Three Forks Chamber of Commerce

Established in 1964, the Three Forks Chamber of Commerce is a group of individuals, businesses, and organizations dedicated to the promotion of positive, balanced business and industrial growth. We envision our program of action to meet the evolving needs and challenges of the community, and to the promotion of the quality of life that three forks and its surrounding area has to offer.

Please note that monthly chamber meetings are held on the second Monday of each month at noon. Meetings may be held at the City Hall, or at a business, so please check our [online calendar](#) or call the chamber at (406) 285-4753 to get the time and location of the next meeting. Meeting times and locations are determined at the meeting prior. The chamber is actively engaged in attracting tourists, residents, and new business. Demographic and economic information, area brochures, maps, and calendars are distributed nationally. Each year, the chamber is involved in a number of activities such as the [Three Forks Farmers Market](#), Christmas Stroll, [Rodeo Dayz](#), as well as operating the [Three Forks Visitor Information Center](#).

5 **How to Claim and Edit My Listing**

Chamber Members, we have exciting news! Now available to you is the ability to claim your business listing on the chamber website at ThreeForksMontana.com! This new feature gives you the ability to change and update your business information. If this has you interested and you are wondering how you can get started, follow the steps below:

To Edit Your Business Listing

This process is separate from the renewal process. Your business listing will be updated with your business information entered in your online renewal application. You have the option to "Claim My Listing," giving you access to update your business information at any time. Here are the steps to "Claim My Business Listing":

1. Follow the link "Claim My Business Listing" under the "Members" tab in the top menu
2. Fill in your contact information
3. When you reach the field for your business name, start typing the name and select the business name from the list of matches
4. Your application will need to be approved by the administrator to ensure you are the real owner of the listing. You will be emailed login instructions in an email after your application is approved.

After you are granted approval, use the "Member Login" link under the "Members" tab to make changes to your listing.

The Headwaters Heritage Museum

Opening for the season on June 1st, 2019



**Hours are 9am to 5pm
Mon –Sat
11am to 3pm Sunday
Admission is free!!**

**To see the museum outside of normal hours, please
call 285-3644 for an appointment.
School tours are always welcome any time.**



A-1 Wheatland Self Storage Inc
 Action Realty Solutions LLC
 American Land Title Company
 American Legion Post #93 and Auxiliary
 BBG Contractors Inc
 Be Lazy Quilting
 Belgrade News
 Berkshire Hathaway Home Services
 Big Brothers Big Sisters of Gallatin County
 Blondie Bakes & Catering
 Bob's Plumbing
 Bozeman Health Deaconess Hospital
 Brooke Leugers
 Bunkhouse Designs & Embroidery LLC
 Camo Heating & Air
 Challenger Pallet
 Chiropractic Clinic of Three Forks
 City of Three Forks
 Chuteside Vet Clinic
 D & K Excavation
 Diane Fuhrman Realty
 Diane Phillips
 Doctor Door
 Farm Bureau Financial Services
 First Baptist Church
 First Community Bank
 First Security Bank
 Frontier Club
 Gallatin College
 Gallatin Insurance
 Gator Gutters
 GCC Trident Plant
 Harmon Enterprises Construction Inc
 Headwaters Area Food Bank
 Headwaters Community Arts Institute
 Headwaters Golf Course
 Headwaters Livestock Auction LLC
 Headwaters Storage
 Headwaters Trail System
 Headwaters Veterinary Hospital PC
 Helen's Critter Care
 Highland Log Homes
 Hilltop Electric
 Horizon Insulation
 House of Clean
 Hyalite Engineers PLLC
 Imerys Talc North America
 Indigo Healing & Massage
 Industrial Automation Consulting
 Iron Horse Cafe
 JaMocha Junction
 K & L Mortuaries Inc
 Kanta Products Inc
 Karen Walton
 Keller Williams Montana Realty
 K.O.R. Mechanical Inc
 Land of Magic
 Land West Real Estate
 Legacy Trading
 Lewis & Clark Motel/The Gathering Place
 L&L Site Services
 Lone Mountain Flatwork
 LRC Montana
 M & W Machine Inc
 Main Street Office
 Manhattan Bank—Three Forks Branch
 McLean Plumbing & Heating
 Missouri River Custom Framing & Studios
 Montana Insurance Inc
 Montana Mountain Massage
 Montana Pony Connexion
 Pathway's Assisted Living Inc
 Plaza Bar
 Ramsey Hardwood Floors
 ReBoot Computers, LLC
 Red Tiger Drilling
 Republic Services
 Restoration Massage Therapy LLC
 Roadarmel Construction Inc
 Rockin the Rivers
 Ron's Diesel Repair & Towing Inc
 Sausage Equipment & Supply
 Seiler's Hardware
 Sky View Storage
 Stageline Pizza
 Stockman Bank—Manhattan
 Tanya R. Gonzalez CPA PC
 The Black Pearl (Nail Spa & Boutique)
 The Voice Newspaper
 Three Forks Area Ambulance
 Three Forks Area Historical Society/
 Headwaters Heritage Museum
 Three Forks Automotive Repair
 Three Forks Bible Church
 Three Forks Christian Center AOG
 Three Forks Community Library
 Three Forks Family Dentistry
 Three Forks Market & RV Park
 Three Forks Motor Supply
 Three Forks Physical Therapy Inc
 Three Forks Public Schools
 Three Forks Rodeo Arena
 Three Forks Saddlery
 Three Forks Storage
 Three Forks Youth Rec Task Force
 Three Rivers Medical Clinic
 Three Forks Rodeo Arena
 Three Valleys Insurance & Real Estate
 Thriftway Super Stops
 Tim's Diesel & Auto Repair
 Townsend Dental
 Traveler's Ink
 Tudor & Associates, Inc
 United Methodist Church of Three Forks
 V-42 Fitness
 Wheat Montana Farms and Bakery
 Whitetail Ranch Center
 Willow Creek Schools
 Wilson Engineering PLLC
 Yellowstone Country Food & Beverage



August 8th - August 10th At the Bridge near TF