

**PIE TOWN COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING**  
**December 2, 2009**  
**Pie Town Community Center Building**

**CALL TO ORDER:** 4:00pm by Chairman, Tucker McHugh

**ATTENDANCE:**

Tucker McHugh, Chairman  
Sue Bolander, 2<sup>nd</sup> Chair and Webmaster  
Hal Huber, Treasurer  
Jeanine Huber, Secretary  
River, Member at Large  
Kenneth Bostick, Member at Large  
John Hanrahan  
Ruth Hanrahan  
Cathy Bissey  
Dr. Abraham

**MINUTES:** Jeanine Huber, Secretary

1. The Minutes of the November 4, 2009 meeting were presented with the following corrections. Bob McClellan's last name corrected; Under New Business Paragraph 1E should read "503(c)" and Paragraph 5 should read "Tucker McHugh assumed the duties of Chair at 5:00pm".
2. Kenneth Bostick moved to approve the Minutes as corrected. Seconded by Hal Huber. Motion passed.

**TREASURER REPORT:** Hal Huber, Treasurer

Checking	\$ 9,883.42
Savings	1,937.88
Cash	<u>347.62</u>
Total	\$12,168.62

Kenneth Bostick moved to approve the Treasurer's report. Seconded by Sue Bolander. Motion passed.

**WEBMASTER REPORT:** Sue Bolander, Webmaster

1. Site visits in November: 1,133 (Webalizer)  
48% of these were for the Pie Festival Site
2. Linked Sites: 23
3. Business Ads on Site: 11

4. Top of the World Subdivision's ad is now posted. (Winner of the Web Ad drawing at Pie Festival).
5. The pictures of Kenneth Bostick and Tucker McHugh were placed on the Council's Web Site. Added Tucker as Chair and assigned him [firstchair@pietowncouncil.com](mailto:firstchair@pietowncouncil.com) address.
6. Tucker stated he had approached Mike at Daily Pie to see if Council could obtain, at little or no cost, the Website [www.pietown.com](http://www.pietown.com). Mike will think about it.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

1. **Holiday Dinner:** John and Ruth Hanrahan will organize, host, cook and decorate for the Holiday Dinner to be held December 13, from 3-6pm. Ruth anticipates at least twenty-three people will attend. Fliers have been posted in both cafes, on the Post Office bulletin board and on the Council Website.

Ruth contacted Treasurer on November 12<sup>th</sup> requesting money to pay for turkey (2), ham, potatoes, and red plastic tablecloths. Funding not to exceed \$100.00. Council members Tucker McHugh, Hal Huber, Jeanine Huber and Sue Bolander were contacted by phone for approval of this expense. Approved by quorum.

The approval of financial funding of the event, as stated above, was amended to change the amount donated for the dinner from \$100.00 to \$200.00 to be able to include more food items and decorations. Motion to accept change was made by Hal Huber and seconded by Jeanine Huber. Motion passed.

2. **Cleaning Proposal:** A proposal to clean Community Council Building by Darlene Williams was presented by Jeanine as received. Cleaning would be done on a weekly basis at a cost to the Council of \$13.50 weekly. An initial "Spring Cleaning" fee of \$40.00 would be charged by Darlene. Council is to provide cleaning supplies. Kenneth Bostick moved to accept the proposal as presented and Hal Huber seconded the motion. Approved by acclamation. Cleaning services to be paid by PTCC check.

No proposal was received from Freida Hutton as was mentioned in last month's Minutes.

3. **Keys to Concession Stand:** Currently, Kenneth, Sue, Hal and Ruth (x2) have keys to Concession Stand. Ruth will provide a key to Tucker. Tucker has volunteered to take care of Jackson Park by emptying trash cans in park, check all porta potties for toilet paper and, if needed, clean and add water. The water level needs to be one-half full in the tank and blue tablets will be placed as needed for odor. He will have them pumped as needed.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

1. **Minutes/Financial Report:** To the question of continuing Minutes/Financial Report on the Council Web Site, Kenneth Bostick stated that since this organization is an Ad Hoc Committee, funds and everything done as a public organization should be made public.

Tucker expressed his concern and felt it was not good business to put PTCC's financial report on the Web Site. After discussion, the motion was made by Kenneth Bostick and seconded by Hal Huber that the policy of the PTCC would be to publish the Minutes of Meetings, which would include financial report, on the PTCC Web Site. Motion passed.

2. **Renewal of domain sites:** Sue Bolander, Web Master, requested \$22.00 for renewal of two domain sites (\$11.00 each) from January 2010 to January 2011. Motion made by Kenneth Bostick and seconded by Hal Huber to pay for this expense. Sue will pay this expense and be reimbursed by PTCC. Motion passed.

3. **Benevolent Fund:**

A. After discussion, Kenneth Bostick moved and Sue Bolander 2<sup>nd</sup> motion that requests be considered on a case by case basis for recipients of Benevolent Fund. Recipients names will not be published in respect of privacy. Motion passed.

B. Requests was made on behalf of a family in Quemado for funds to help with hospital and transportation costs related to serious heart condition of family member. Motion made by Jeanine Huber and 2<sup>nd</sup> by River to donate \$250.00 to this family. Motion passed.

C. Joan Shannon has contacted Council on behalf on a family with seven children, ages 2 ½ to 17, that is in financial need. More information is needed about this situation before Council can respond.

D. Tucker stated that a committee needs to be formed to handle requests from Benevolent Fund and be in charge of special meetings to approve funds if necessary. Treasurer, Hal Huber, was appointed committee head by Chairman. This committee will notify local EMS and Subdivisions in the area of the Benevolent Fund.

4. **PHI group membership for Air Ambulance Service:**

A. PHI is the air ambulance agency providing most of the medical airlift requests for this area. Sue was contacted by Cyndi Lee for help from PTCC in conducting a membership drive. Cyndi is looking for help in sponsoring and advertising the sign-up.

B. EMS will not sponsor drive but will help with providing building and personnel to help with drive and Cyndi will be contact person. PHI is a private company and has no affiliation with Pie Town Emergency Services.

C. To get the group rate of \$40.00 per household per year, a total of 15 households needs to sign-up in the Pie Town area.

D. If people pay by cash, all cash needs to be included in one check. Will PTCC write check for all the cash payments?

E. After discussion, the motion was made by Sue Bolander and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kenneth Bostick, that PTCC would not officially sponsor drive but would publicize, help with sign-up and help with administrative duties. Sue volunteered to collect payments and write a personal check for any cash amounts. The membership drive will be advertised on Council Web Site, the PO bulletin board, the two local cafes and by word of mouth. Motion passed.

F. Sign-up will be held Tuesday, December 8<sup>th</sup>, from 4-8pm at the Fire Station. Cyndi Lee and Penny Carroll, from EMS will help as well as PTCC members Sue, Jeanine and Hal. You may join the Pie Town group no matter where you live.

5. **New T-shirt design** is needed for PTCC sponsored sales. The current design is several years old and the stock is almost depleted. The PTCC would like to get community involvement and will sponsor a contest to encourage everyone to submit designs. There will be no monetary prize – just recognition to the winner. Submissions need to be done in black and white only and should be submitted by the end of March. Submissions should be sent to the PTCC, PO Box 791, Pie Town, NM 87827.

6. **PTCC and 501(c)(3)**: As a non-profit, charitable organization does Council want to become 501(c)(3)?

A. *Advantages:*

- (1) Have tax exempt status. Is PTCC under the umbrella of the County? The County Commission has said the PTCC needs to redo the Charter. Tucker, with the help of the County Clerk, was unable to find original PTCC Charter. Does it exist? Is the By Laws the Charter?
- (2) Would not affect how we operate.
- (3) Would benefit those people that make donations to PTCC.
- (4) Protect PTCC from perceived liability.

B. *Disadvantages:*

- (1) May be subject to back taxes.
- (2) Would need to file with Federal government.
- (3) Possible legal fees to get established? Could County Attorney help with paperwork and County help with any fees?

C. Topic tabled to be discussed at later date.

## 7. **Library**

A. Tucker said he would like to propose building an annex on current Community Center to serve as the library. He feels enough funds could come from donations. This annex would hold the current library inventory as well as be a resource

for reference materials. Would County let PTCC make changes? More discussion to be held at future meeting.

B. Ruth, in an effort to encourage more library use, will not be charging for books. Users can now sign for books and bring them back when finished. Starting this week, Library will be open every Thursday from 1-3pm.

**NEXT REGULAR MEETING:** January 20, 2010, 3:00pm.

**MEETING ADJOURNED:** 6:30pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Jeanine Huber, Secretary