

Groton Chamber of Commerce
March 3, 2021
12pm Community Center (BYOL)

- Individuals present: Carol Kutter, April Abeln, Kellie Locke, Hope Block, Stacy Oliver, Dan Harber, Ashley Smith, and Lori Westby
- Minutes from the February 3rd meeting were approved on a motion by Smith and seconded by Oliver. All members present voted aye.
- Treasurer's Report was given by Oliver. WF checking account balance is \$22,421.91. Savings is \$967.05. \$8550 has been collected for 2021 dues so far. Report was approved by Abeln and seconded by Smith. All members present voted aye.
- Olde Bank spots on the Hwy 12 electronic sign have been updated to Groton Ford (east) and Fliehs Sales & Service (west). Service signs bill was \$550 for the changes.
- Oliver and Kutter are meeting 3/4/21 at 12pm to transfer accounts to Dacotah Bank.
- Eide Bailly filed our 990N for the year with our next filing date of 12/15/21.
- Abeln will email Smith a shirt order form for the Love Where You Live Fundraiser to be emailed to Chamber businesses. Oliver will post an ad to Channel 9. Samples will be ordered to have at City Hall and the Easter Egg Hunt where Kutter, Abeln, and Locke have volunteered to sell shirts on 3/27/21.
- Greg Belden's repair welcome visit is scheduled for 3/5/21 at 12pm.
- Kotzer has not finished Chamber bags yet so new resident bags have not been finalized.
- Our \$940 ½ page SD Magazine ad can be used in any publication. Motion by Hope with a second by Oliver to use it in the Aberdeen Magazine also. All members present voted aye.
- Kristi Eckrich's water tower images were presented. It was suggested to ask for a sunset/sunrise image and also black/white images of the tiger side. Discussion on the new water tower led to a motion by Abeln and a second by Oliver to donate \$500 to the Legion to be used to paint a flag on the new water tower. All members present voted aye.
- Lots of Chamber scholarships were turned in so a committee of 3 was formed to meet at a later date. Kutter, Locke & Abeln volunteered.
- Once shirt samples are done, Block will post a Facebook promotion for a winner to win a shirt and tumbler for commenting "Why they love where they live".
- Upcoming events
 - Beauty Brew Coffee & Boutique soft opening is this weekend!
 - Easter Egg Hunt- 3/27/21
 - Dueling Pianos/Baseball Fundraiser- 4/10/21
 - Firemen's Social- 4/24/21 (Motion by Abeln and seconded by Block to donate \$300 to this event. All members present voted aye.)
 - Princess Prom (Father/daughter dance) 4/25/21
- Dan Harber from Avantara discussed hosting an event this spring/summer. It was suggested to do a golf or corn hole tournament in connection with Summer Fest.
- POET grant was tabled. Possible ideas are Main St beautification or mini golf in the empty lot by the swimming pool.
- Next meetings:
 - April 7th at the Community Center 12-1pm (BYOL)
 - May 5th at the Community Center 12-1pm (BYOL)