Chippewa Valley Blues Society Special Meeting 8/29/2018 Acoustic Café.

Present: Executive Committee: Mike Fischer, President; Debbie Fischer, Vice President; Cheryl Apfel Wise, Secretary; Eric Johnson, TNB Chairperson; Membership: Don Bestul, Good Luck Charm. Also in attendance, Laura Sommer of The Flaming Doublewides

Presented for discussion:

- 1. Level of support and involvement, if any, in Funk Fest scheduled for 10/5.
- 2. Level of support and involvement, if any, in the Fall Blues Party at the Silverdome Ballroom scheduled for 10/20.
- 3. Final prep for 10th anniversary bash on 9/8.

1. Funk Fest planned for 10/5.

- a. BoTC asked us to participate in bringing Sierra Green and the Soul Machine to town for a Funk Fest including Left Wing Bourbon and perhaps the Rhythm Posse. Looking for help to cover the \$1500 \$2000 price tag for band.
- b. Many concerns were discussed among the group including, but perhaps not limited to:
 - i. Late timing of getting involved
 - ii. We did not think that it was very realistic for us to expect to make any profit past our investment.
 - iii. We don't want to spend too much and jeopardize TNB next year. We'd like to be able to put more money into paying bands more/ more expensive bands next year.
 - iv. Not budgeted.
- c. The Executive Committee in attendance voted unanimously to approve a one-time \$500 contribution to BoTC to use toward this event with the understanding that CVBS will be recognized as a sponsor of the event. Our banners will be present in the venue and BoTC will recognize CVBS as a sponsor of the event. CVBS will help to promote the event through Facebook posts and emails sent to our membership list via MailChimp.
- d. The committee recognized the need to plan for supporting these types of events in the annual budget process coming up.

2. Fall Blues Party at Silverdome Ballroom on 10/20

- **a.** Doug Myren from Silverdome Ballroom has the opportunity to add Mud Morganfield to the line up (already set) for the Fall Blues Party on 10/20. Doug is looking for sponsors to help come up with the \$2500 Mud is asking.
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- b. The concerns regarding supporting this event were very similar to those expressed regarding the Funk Fest. (see above)
- c. The Executive Committee in attendance voted unanimously to approve a \$500 sponsorship to the Fall Blues Party at the Silverdome to use toward this event with the understanding that CVBS will be recognized as a sponsor of the event. Our banners will be present in the venue and Doug will recognize CVBS as a sponsor of the event. CVBS will help to promote the event through Facebook posts and emails sent to our membership list via MailChimp.
 - i. To clarify, this amount is not contingent on Mud Morganfield being secured to perform. This is a CVBS sponsorship contribution to the event in general.
- d. The committee recognized the need to plan for supporting these types of events in the annual budget process coming up.

- e. Not discussed, but Doug also offered this via email to us: "offer some promotion or discount for CVBS members to help turn out a nice crowd for the performers, and you can feel free to set up a membership table."
- f. The group briefly discussed the possibility of renting a Blue Bus to take a group of CVBS members to and from the Silverdome.

3. Bash Prep - 09/08

- a. Cheryl has volunteer schedule. <u>See below.</u> I believe we have plenty of volunteers, but if we had 1 or 2 more it wouldn't hurt anything.
- b. Cheryl to contact Benny regarding what the food offerings will be and seating arrangement.
 - i. Emailed 08/30
- c. Cheryl to order some 21 and over wrist bands from Amazon, cost approx. \$12
- d. Discussed using only the front entry instead of 2 entries.
 - i. Use only front entry.
 - ii. 1 or 2 volunteers at the door to take tickets, check ID's and give wristbands to advanced ticket holders.
 - iii. Set up a table right inside door with 1 or 2 volunteers where people can sign up/renew memberships and purchase tickets. Printed list of current paid members will be available. Check ID, give wristbands

| Time | Volunteer | Volunteer | Volunteer | |
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| 4:30 - 5 | Mary | Cheryl | Ken, Eve | |
| 5 - 6 pm | Debbie | Karen | Barb Gramenz | Cheryl |
| 6 - 7 pm | Juanita | Steve | Eve | Cheryl |
| 7 - 8 pm | Ken | Di | Shelley | Cheryl |
| 8 - 9 pm | Don | Mary | | Cheryl |
| 9 - 10 pm | Mike | | short shift | |