

## Albion Chamber of Commerce-Board Meeting Minutes

January 9, 2023

*Members Present: Chris Magnuson (P), Sandy Petrie (S), Sharon Leitch (T), Mariah Keirn, Carla Fiandt (VP), Kay Craig, Steve Hook*  
*Absent: Ken Cripe, Pattie Gatman*

**Meeting was called to order** at the CN board room by Chris at 12:00 pm.

**Minutes/Treasurer Report:** Minutes from the December 12, 2022 meeting were reviewed along with the treasurer report. Steve making a motion to approve the minutes and accept the treasurer's report. Mariah seconded, motion approved.

### **Treasurer's Report:**

Beginning Balance (12/12/22): **\$10,578.42**

Revenue: **\$0**

Expenses: **\$0**

Bank Balance (1/9/23): **\$10,578.42**

### **Old Business:**

**Christmas in the Village:** It was another wonderful year with a good turnout though we didn't have as many kids visit Santa. However, over 50 letters were written to Santa this year which is double that of last year. Tammy is retiring and stepping down from chairing this event on behalf of the Chamber, but Mariah indicated that if the event could move to a Saturday, the CN School Corporation might be interested in creating a committee for this and chair it. This would allow students to give back to the community and be engaged as future leaders.

**2023 Budget:** Chris also went over the 2022 and 2023 budgets, both of which will be shared with membership at the annual meeting.

**Annual meeting:** Chris went over the agenda and the plan for the February 2nd annual meeting to be held at Blessed Sacrament. We need to find a replacement for Ken. Julie Gerver, the new director of Augusta Hills was suggested.

### **New Business:**

**Skate Park:** John Eastis was in attendance and accepted the Chamber donation of \$250 which will be doubled by a matching grant from the Dekko Foundation. He also provided the board with an unrelated report on survey results from a recent Albion Lion's Club survey about community desires.

**Annual Membership:** The membership drive is well underway. Carla will get together with Mariah and Lori to make sure paypal payments through online membership renewals are processed.

**Donation Requests:** Drug Free Noble County and NE Indiana Cancer both submitted requests and were approved through the budget process for \$100 each. St Martin's Healthcare also submitted a request. Sandy made a motion to give \$50, Steve seconded, motion approved.

**Thank yous:** Thank you notes were received from Black Pine and Noble House.

### **Announcements/Functions/Dates/Events:**

**Annual Meeting** - February 2, 2023 at Blessed Sacrament Church in Albion. Registration starts at 5:30pm with the event beginning promptly at 6pm.

### **Adjournment:**

Meeting adjourned at 1:00 pm.

**Next Meeting:** Next meeting will be February 13th at noon at the CN Central Office board room.

Submitted: Sandy Petrie