

Albion Chamber of Commerce-Board Meeting Minutes - May 8, 2023

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

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

Minutes/Treasurer Report: Minutes from the April 10, 2023 meeting were reviewed along with the treasurer report. Mariah made a motion to approve the minutes of the April meeting and accept the treasurer's report. Steve seconded, motion approved.

Treasurer's Report:

Beginning Balance (4/3/23): **\$11,878.64**

Revenue: **\$1,400**

Dues: \$350

Flag Program: \$1,050

Expenses: **\$1,528.50**

Flag sponsorship (2 flags): \$100

Ebay Sales (flag poles): \$928.50

Chain O'Lakes Festival donation: \$500

Bank Balance (5/1/23): **\$11,750.14**

Correspondence:

Thank you's from JA, Cancer Services, and CN School Lunch program for donations.

Old Business:

Flag Program: There were 55 sponsorships for a total of \$2,750. Total expenses for this year's flags and poles were \$2,749.50. Other expenses related to this program are volunteered or in kind.

Town wide Garage Sale: We had several issues related to this year's garage sale efforts and may rethink how this is done in future years or what the Chamber involvement needs to be.

Goodwill Truck: Will be this coming Saturday, May 13th. Kay will call and confirm the truck one final time.

Annual Membership Drive: There are still a few outstanding entities and Carla has made numerous phone calls to try and get the year closed out.

Noble County Chamber Status: We have still not been able to get the funds owed us from members joining the County prior to the Kendallville Chamber pulling out of the group. Chris continues to work on getting those funds that were paid in good faith. The board gave consensus approval for Chris to meet with the other Noble County Chamber's to talk about continuing a group relationship without the Kendallville Chamber.

New Business:

Summer Hiatus: Consensus was to take our normal summer break from Chamber meetings for June and July and plan to meet in August.

Christmas Parade: Mariah reiterated that the Christmas parade would be on Saturday, December 2nd this year instead of Friday. Central Noble has taken the lead in this event and there are conflicts on Friday's. Mariah hopes to have the marching band participate and Santa will still be part of the event at Doc's Rental Center.

Announcements/Functions/Dates/Events:

Goodwill Truck - May 13th (No Furniture)

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 12:55 pm.

Next Meeting: Next meeting will be August 14th at noon at the CN Central Office board room.

Submitted: Sandy Petrie