

Albion Chamber of Commerce-Board Meeting Minutes

May 9, 2022

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

Meeting was called to order at the CN board room by Chris at 12:05 pm.

Minutes: Minutes from the April 11, 2022 meeting, the April 28, 2022 annual meeting, as well as the April treasurer's report were reviewed with Ken making a motion to approve the minutes and accept the treasurer's report. Mariah seconded, motion approved.

Treasurer's Report: Beginning Balance (12/13/21): **\$15,240.16**

Revenue: **\$2,150**

Dues: \$290

Flag Program: \$1,500

Annual Meeting: \$360

Expenses: **\$2970.18**

 Yahoo: \$23.99 (May internet)

 Ken Cripe: \$23.20 (postage for flag program)

 Albion Chamber: \$100 (flag sponsorships)

 KPC: \$355 (84 garage sale signs-\$85, 1000 flyers-\$270)

 Town of Albion: \$500 (fireworks)

 Chain-o-Lakes: \$500 (festival))

 A Thyme to Remember: \$225 (annual meeting flowers)

 Blessed Sacrament Sodality: \$775 (43 meals and tip)

 Doc's Hardware: \$467.99 (Fountain flowers, fertilizer)

Bank Balance (5/9/22): **\$14,419.98**

Old Business:

Annual meeting: All agreed that the annual meeting was wonderful. The newly renovated church was gorgeous and the low key meeting was appreciated as members were able to talk with each other and share updates. There was some discussion about moving the meeting back to January since sports and other activities begin to conflict with schedules in April.

Chamber Dues: We are close to having all members paid, just a few left.

Garage Sale & Goodwill Truck: There were 42 entries for the garage sale and as usual, many were late or went to wrong address etc. Pattie indicated she may be willing to take this project on and will discuss further with Chris. The Goodwill truck is coming up this next Saturday (May 14th) which is same day as town clean up. Ken and Kay (and crew) will be on hand at 8:30 and we are hoping truck is on time this year.

Website: Lori Gagen suggested (via email) that the board consider adding a paypal option to the new website so members could pay dues, and the community could sponsor flags etc. All felt this was a great idea. Carla will work with Lori to set this up.

Flowers/Fountain: Chris and Tiffany have planted 12 Canna and 88 SuperTunias. We have chosen not to mulch this year. Doc's Hardware gave us a 10% discount on the flowers/fertilizer bringing the cost to \$467.99 (\$500 was budgeted). Country Scapes has been working on the barrels that go on the street and Chris says they are looking great. The street department power washed the fountain. The transformer continues to trip frequently. The fix will be \$1830 and Casey (Albion Parks Dept) has given \$1500 toward this with the Albion STAR team giving \$300. The remaining \$30 will come from the balance remaining for flowers.

Flag Program: We had a total of 60 sponsors for this year's flags. Sandy has drafted the sponsor flyer and will work with Ken to finalize and get those out.

New Business: None

Summer Hiatus: We historically have not met as a board during June and July. Ken made a motion to take the summer hiatus. Steve seconded, motion approved.

Chamber Activities: We listed the yearly activities for the new board members and will start thinking about how to divide up the responsibilities for the remainder of this year and moving forward.

Announcements/Functions/Dates/Events:

Goodwill Truck - May 14 (9-noon) Town wide clean-up also that day.

Adjournment:

Meeting adjourned at 1:00 pm.

Next Meeting: Next meeting will be August 8th at noon at the CN Central Office board room.

Submitted: Sandy Petrie