



Grand Valley Area Chamber of Commerce September 27, 2016 Meeting Minutes

Present: Bob Denihan, Annette Herbster, Gwen Biennas, Julie Mordesovich, Rayne Burr, Joe Varckette, Kelly Creed and Chantel Lee

Pledge of Alliance

Moment of Silence

Review of July 30 meeting minutes

Motion to approve – Joe Varckette

Second the motion – Julie Mordesovich

Treasurer Report – Annette Herbster

Submitted for review

Correspondence – Gwen Biennas

Received – Ashtabula County Convention & Visitors Bureau book w/bill

Membership from Venturella Plumbing & Heating

Sent: Cards to Diana Ristimacki, Gary Hunter, Ulman Family, Ken Herbster & Bob Denihan

Proposed Motion to donate \$500 from our Chamber to the Orwell Fire Department.

Motion: Julie Mordesovich

Second the Motion: Joe Varckette

Chamber Page – October: New Moon Music, November: Herbster Home Inspection

Village Update – Joe Varkette

Everlast Roofing moving into Orwell, target opening the end of November.

Roads pave OPWC Grant

Working on Community Roads & Waste Water Treatment Project

Community Days Wrap up – Julie Morsesovich

It was a success

Breakfast went well: Chicken Dinner ran out within an 1 ½.

The Community enjoyed all the games and activities.

They do plan on doing this again next year.

Update on Spring Festival – Bob Denihan

The main committees will be hand picked.

We will start working on this after the Community Fun Days.

No start up meeting as of yet.

OVFD plans on doing their Chicken Dinner again.

NOACC – no present updates

Evening Dinner Meeting – Tuesday, October 25 at 6:00 p.m. at Woodies Grub & Pub

We need at least 20 people for this to be beneficial.

We will set up to have a guest speaker

This is more of a social event

Chamber members are asked to pay for their dinner and the open bar. The Chamber will cover the tip for the evening.

Membership Renewals 2017 have been sent out.

Will look to see if the new business in our area would like to join our Chamber.

Orwell Tool is with GV Tractor on St. Rt. 322

Business Round Table:

*Chantel Lee, Signations – Very busy. Orders are about 2 ½ weeks out, doing a lot of apparel.

*Julie Mordesovich, First Responders – Crock Pot Cookoff, October 16, Bake Sale on Voting Day, Breakfast w/Santa, January 14 Polka Dinner at St. Mary

*Rayne/Kelly, The Gazette – very busy, Covered Bridge Festival, Grape Jamboree, Circulation is up. Very positive in our area.

*Gwen Biennas, Gwen's Catering – busy, just finished up 80th birthday dinner, Gwen is not the typical caterer, she can do all or part of something. If you don't have time to cook, then Gwen can help with the one dish items you may need.

*Annette Herbster, Herbster Tax Service – tax season is still busy with extensions; new business information, Annette can handle your startup business, suggests you don't do things online.

*Herbster Home Inspection – business is picking up, plus he can process deer if anyone needs.

*Bob Denihan – getting back in the swing of things. It was very nice and thanked the Chamber for Dinner it was very much enjoyed.

Motion to Adjourn – Joe Varckette

Second the Motion – Chantel Lee

Respectfully Submitted

Gwen Biennas

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Secretary