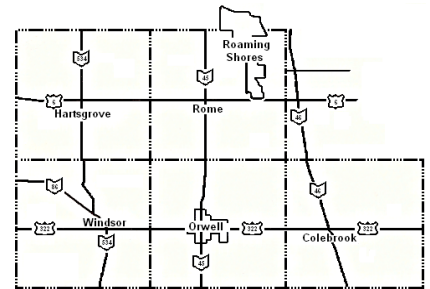




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### Grand Valley Area Chamber of Commerce July 25, 2017 Meeting Minutes

Present: Bob Denihan, Stuart Walker, Annette Herbster, Ken Herbster, Gwen Biennas, Julie Mordesovich, Kevin Collins, Susan Robinson, Tim Ponn, Dwight Johnson, Jeff & Patricia Plumley

Welcome

Pledge of Allegiance

Moment of Silence

Review of minutes from March & April meetings

Motion to accept – Julie Mordesovich

Second the motion – Susan Robinson

Treasurer Report – Annette Herbster

Submitted for review

Correspondence – Gwen Biennas

Outgoing – emails, meeting reminders

Sympathy Card to Niewaidomski Family

Received – 2 reimbursements checks from Community Energy Advisors

Received – receipt of P.O. Box payment

Received – from the Gazette our percentage from advertising for the Festival

Chamber Page – August, GV Lanes; September, Winer Legal Services; October, Ray Bros; November, Orwell Tool; December, Tri County Veterinary Clinic.

Grand Valley Festival – May 24-27, 2018

\*Stuart Walker – Yes, this is on Memorial Day Weekend but we will not go past 9:00 p.m. on Sunday so we don't conflict with festivities.

\*Contract has been signed for next year.

\*Joyce Merritt has been contacted again to take care of the parade. She is concerned having 2 parades in one weekend.

\*We will be building on what we have.

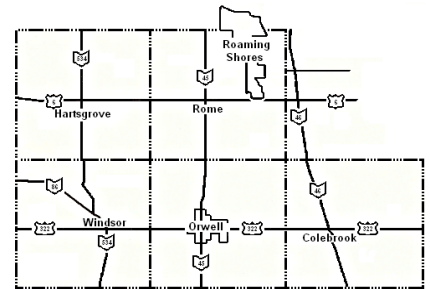
For the Festival we will have Gun Raffle to raise money for next year's festival. Please see Annette or Ken Herbster for tickets and more information.



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Business Expo – Everything is set for tomorrow evening. We still need help with monetary donations to help cover the meat. Gwen will be there by 5:00 p.m. to start setting up the; Chamber Table Chamber Food Table and her table. Places in Chaffee Park will be first come first serve. Gwen had told the First Responders that they can sell kielbasa and sauerkraut to help them raise money. We are expecting a very large crowd. All our business should do very well.

### Business Roundtable:

- \*Annette Herbster, Herbster Tax Service – Very busy, loves Turbo Tax and is very grateful on her business is doing well
- \*Ken Herbster, Herbster Home Inspection – starting to get calls
- \*Tim Ponn, GV Tractor – doing well, doing better since Rt. 322 is open.
- \*Kevin Collins, Orwell Tool – best weekend yet was at the Mespo Ox Roast
- \*Lauren Sipple, The Gazette – they will have a table at the Expo and at the Fair. Getting ready for back to school and PV Lake Festival
- \*Julie Mordesovich, First Responders – the Fire Department to buy air tanks for \$7500. The Adjuster needs to come out for the damage done from the flooding in the Fire Hall. They will be at the Expo.
- \*Susan Robinson, Sacred Path Candles – developing new scents, new products. We will be Doing the Colebrook & Conneaut events
- \*Jeff Plumley – volunteer for whoever needs help
- \*Patricia Plumley – volunteers at Country Neighbor
- \*Stuart Walker, Davis True Value – business really slowed down after the 4<sup>th</sup> of July. It does pick up a bit for back to school. Trying to work on projects around the store.
- \*Gwen Biennas, Gwen's Catering – we had a funeral luncheon in Rock Creek a couple weeks ago We have few events coming up this fall and working on the commercial kitchen
- \*Dwight Johnson – the Village got hit very hard. They are assessing the damage around the Village.
- \*Bob Denihan, B & S Publishing – no time out, alive and well. We are getting caught up with odds and ends.

Next Chamber Meeting – Tuesday, August 29 6:30 p.m. at the Rome Fire Hall Pavilion. We will be having a cold pot luck. Paper products and beverages will be provided.

Motion to adjourn - Ken Herbster  
Second the motion – Kevin Collins

Respectfully Submitted

Gwen Biennas

Grand Valley Area  
Chamber of Commerce  
Secretary

