

Galesville Area Chamber of Commerce
Future Minded Historically Proud

Board of Directors Meeting
January 13, 2021 (approved 2.10.21)

Directors present via Zoom: Rhea Hogden, Michele Butler, Brenda Sannes, Diane Thatcher, Sharon Spahr, Tammy Paulus, Christine Otzelberger, Jean Wallner and Jon Rastall.

Directors absent: Jackie Stedman, Sue Kundy and Josh Chapman.

Chamber members present: Lori Meinking (Bluff View Bank), Danielle Todd (Flex Appeal Fitness), Perian Heffner (Coverra Insurance) and Sarah Livermore (Immediate Past President).

A quorum was declared and the meeting was called to order at 7:32 a.m. by President Rhea H.

Nominations were requested for Chamber President.

Rhea H. was nominated for this position by Tammy P. and seconded by Diane T. With no other names presented, Sharon S. asked to bring the nominations for President to a close (seconded by Tammy P.) Rhea H. was unanimously elected to serve as President.

Nominations for the remaining officers were received:

Tammy P. nominated Sharon Spahr to serve as Vice President (seconded by Christine O.)

Tammy P. nominated Diane Thatcher to serve as Secretary (seconded by Jean W.)

Tammy P. nominated Christine Otzelberger to serve as Treasurer (seconded by Diane T.).

Nominations were closed and 2021 Executive Board was unanimously elected as follows: President – Rhea Hogden, Vice President – Sharon Spahr, Secretary – Diane Thatcher, and Treasurer – Christine Otzelberger. Sarah Livermore remains Immediate Past President.

Secretary's Report:

A motion was made by Tammy P. and seconded by Michele B. to accept the December minutes. The motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.

Treasurer's Report:

The report for December was distributed via email prior to the meeting by Lori M. which showed income for the month at \$0 and expenses at - \$117.86. We are currently showing a net income of \$221.14 for the year (budgeted YTD net income was \$9).

Tammy P. made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report which was seconded by Christine O. and carried on a unanimous voice vote.

The following bills were presented:

- \$39.00 to US Cellular for the chamber telephone
- \$79.00 to Market America for website
- \$60.00 to A. Waldenberger Family as land rent for the Garden of Eden sign on Hwy 53

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A motion was made by Tammy P. to approve the invoices for payment. This was seconded by Diane T. and carried on a unanimous voice vote.

Committee Reports:

Organization & Membership:

We are beginning our 2021 membership campaign and plan to contact businesses by mid-February. Currently the committee consists of Sue Kundy, Sarah Livermore and Lori Meinking.

Promotion & Tourism:

Sarah L. reported the Chamber website had 4,896 hits in December.

Agri-Business:

Sarah L. reported that the Galesville Farmer's & Artisan's Market has been awarded a \$1000 grant by Compeer Financial. There are specific conditions to be followed in the areas of grant reporting, recognition and publicity when we use the funds. Sarah Livermore, Diane Thatcher and Kelly Gardner have agreed to serve on Agri-Business committee during the 2021 season.

Economic Revitalization & Development:

No written report. Chair Rhea H. stated the committee hopes to be able to hold a meeting soon.

Historic Preservation, Beautification & Design:

No written report. Chair Christine O. reminded us to save Saturday June 19th for Founders Day.

Sharon S. made a motion to accept the Committee reports. This was seconded by Tammy P. All reports were accepted on a unanimous voice vote.

Old Business:

There are 3 vacancies on the Chamber Board.

New Business:

Now that the ice skating rink is open on Lake Marinuka, the Board discussed how we could help promote it on the Chamber FaceBook page and possibly create partnerships with area businesses to operate an ice skate exchange and even facilitate the sharpening of skates. Right now the City of Galesville is plowing the rink. Perhaps we can look into providing a warming house in the future.

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Correspondence:

None.

Upcoming Events

January 14th – Galesville City Council 7 p.m.

February 18th – Blood Drive 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Zion Lutheran sponsored by the Galesville Lions Club

Adjournment

Tammy P. made a motion to adjourn which was seconded by Jean W. The meeting was adjourned at 8:22 a.m. Our next meeting will be held on February 10th at 7:30 am (in person at the Library Community Room and virtually via Zoom).

Respectfully submitted by,
Sarah Livermore, Immediate Past President