

Galesville Area Chamber of Commerce  
Future Minded Historically Proud

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes  
November 8, 2017

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**Directors present:** Lindsay Spitzer, Richard Tolzman, Sharon Spahr, Lori Meinking, Sarah Livermore, Jim Riley, Aaron Engel, Christine Otzelberger and Tammy Paulus.

**Directors absent:** Lori Severson, Danielle Todd, Tristen Graves, Melanie Pederson, Mark Hansen and Chris Petersen.

**Members Present:** John Graf, Graf Media; Kathy Bell (Lylli & Ivi) and Brenda Sannes (Studio 6).

**Visitors Present:** Catherine Swing (Galesville LTC Pharmacy).

A quorum was declared and the meeting was called to order at 7:37 am by President Sarah Livermore.

**Secretary's Report:**

A motion was made by Tammy P. and seconded by Lori M. to approve the minutes from October 11<sup>th</sup> with one correction. The motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.

**Treasurer's Report:**

The October treasurer's report was distributed via email prior to the meeting by Lori Meinking.

A motion was made by Lindsay S. and seconded by Richard T. to accept the treasurer's report. The motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.

**Approval of Invoices:**

The following invoices were presented:

\$60 to MA Web Centers; \$36.88 to US Cellular; \$80 to Sharon Spahr for phone answering service (Sept/Oct); \$15.47 to W.L. Trust for annual meeting supplies; \$44.85 to Express Mart for Apple Affair (food, beverages, misc.); \$200 to WHTL for Apple Affair advertising; \$492.32 and 46.17 to Graf Media for Apple Affair signage, posters/flyers and food tickets.

A motion was made by Richard T. and seconded by Tammy P. to approve the payment of invoices. The motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.

**Committee Reports:**

**Organization & Membership:**

46 people attended our annual meeting held at Arctic Springs Supper Club on October 25<sup>th</sup>. It was a very lively meeting with a theme of "Stronger Together." Six door prizes were given away. Richard Tolzman was named Volunteer of the Year and Renee Brenengen was given the Golden Apple Award. The following people were voted to serve a 3-year term

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beginning in January: Rhea Hogden, Melanie Pederson, Lori Meinking, Danielle Halverson and Dr. Garet Koxlien.

**Promotion & Tourism:**

No written report. There will be a header announcing Small Business Saturday on November 25<sup>th</sup> in both the Trempealeau County Times/Arrow Shopper and The Winona Post.

Website: There were 24,230 hits to the website in October.

**Agri-Business:**

Richard T. reported Traci Stoner will make The Building on the Corner available to vendors/artisans on Small Business Saturday.

**Economic Revitalization & Development:**

Sharon S. reported that the committee will be meeting next week. Gordy's Market will become Randy's Neighborhood Market in the near future. The City Council has approved the use of the existing TIF district for the hotel development group.

**Historic Preservation, Beautification & Design:** No meeting.

A motion was made by Lori M. and seconded by Lindsay S. to accept the Committee reports. The motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.

**Old Business** – The Chamber's suggestion to save the wooden boards from The Swinging Bridge for a fundraising effort was not received in time.

**New Business** – Thank you correspondence was received from Off n' Funning and the Trempealeau County Agricultural Society, Inc.

**Announcements**

November 9<sup>th</sup> 7:00 p.m. – Galesville City Council Meeting

November 18<sup>th</sup> – Holiday Open Houses

November 22<sup>nd</sup> – Annual Budget spreadsheets from Committee Chairs due

November 25<sup>th</sup> – Small Business Saturday

Our next monthly meeting will be on Wednesday, December 13, 2017 at 7:30 a.m. at the Galesville Library Community Room.

A motion was made by Tammy P. and seconded by Lori M. to adjourn. The motion carried on a unanimous voice vote. The meeting was adjourned at 8:16 a.m.

Submitted by, Sharon Spahr Interim Secretary