

Galesville Area Chamber of Commerce
Future Minded Historically Proud

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
May 9, 2018 (approved 6.13.18)

Directors present: Richard Tolzman, Sharon Spahr, Sarah Livermore, Jacob Haupt, Tristen Graves, Rhea Hogden, Melanie Pederson, Lori Meinking, Chris Petersen, Lindsay Spitzer, Christine Otzelberger, and Jim Riley.

Directors absent: Garet Koxlien and Aaron Engel.

Member Present: Heather Heineman (Randy's Neighborhood Market)

Visitor: Jean Wallner (Galesville Community Lunch Program)

A quorum was declared and the meeting was called to order at 7:34 a.m. by President Sarah Livermore.

Secretary's Report:

A motion was made by Lindsay S. and seconded by Lori M. to approve the correction in/ and the minutes from April 11th. The motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.

Treasurer's Report:

The April treasurer's report was distributed via email prior to the meeting by Lori Meinking. A motion was made by Chris P. and seconded by Chris O. 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; \$37.18 to US Cellular for chamber cellphone service; \$27.00 to News Publishing for City-Wide Ad; \$5.00 to Richard T. for Farmers Market postage.

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

Committee Reports:

Organization & Membership:

The 2018 membership drive continues. 5 more memberships have been received (3 businesses and 2 non-profit). We have received 72 memberships.

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Promotion & Tourism:

No written report. Danielle spoke about Apple Affair planning from the 4/26 meeting and stated that the Lion's Club can help with food. As for the buttons, the design will honor Roseann Ristow and will cost \$3.00. The next meeting will be 5/31.

Sarah L. reported the City-Wide Rummage Sale will be held on May 11th & 12th. The chamber website lists 26 garage sales with a downloadable map. Sarah L. collected the information from forms submitted to the chamber website and John G. prepared the map. 100 copies have been printed in advance and will be distributed to Express Mart, The Common Market, Jeff's Service, Randy's Neighborhood Market and Mega Co-op Holiday Station. This year we advertised upcoming chamber events with the map. Our next City-Wide Rummage Sale will be Mother's Day weekend of 2019.

Website Report: There were 5,540 hits to the website in April.

Agri-Business:

Richard T. reports all the sites for vendors are filled. There are 2 new vendors this year: one has honey and the other offers goat soap and home-made vanilla. The new city ordinance for parking during Farmers Market is being finalized.

Economic Revitalization & Development:

No written report. "Business after 5" was discussed. It's a networking event for Chamber members who can't make it to the morning meetings. The next committee meeting is May 10th.

Historic Preservation, Beautification & Design:

A verbal report was given by Chris P. and Jim R. The posters are almost ready for Founders Day. The Square has been reserved through the city office. A street permit for the bus tour is also being requested.

A motion was made by Lori M. and seconded by Tristen G. to accept all Committee reports. The motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.

Old Business – American Legion possibly helping with bingo

New Business – Jean Wallner made a donation request on behalf of Barb Longwell for the Galesville Community Summer Lunch Program. Sarah L. moved to table a decision until our June meeting. Jacob H. seconded the motion and it was carried unanimously.

Correspondence - Off N' Funning sent a thank you letter for the Chamber's \$250 donation.

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Announcements:

May 10th, 1:00pm – Ribbon Cutting Ceremony at Randy’s Neighborhood Market

May 10th, 7:00pm – Galesville City Council Meeting

May 11th & 12th – City-Wide Rummage Sale

May 12th, 9:00am – 4th Annual Wellness Festival at G-E-T Middle School

May 22nd, 8:00am – 5th Annual Women’s Business Conference, presented by the Western Dairyland Women’s Business Center, Eau Claire W.R. Davies Student Center. The conference is expected to attract more than 500 business owners.

June 2nd, 5:00pm – Galesville Fire Department Annual Pork Dinner and Dance

Our next monthly Chamber meeting will be on Wednesday, June 13th, 2018 at 7:30 a.m. at the Galesville Library Community Room.

A motion was made by Lori M. and seconded by Danielle T. to adjourn. The motion carried on a unanimous voice vote. The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 a.m.

Submitted by,
Tristen Graves
Secretary