

Romer's Catering Date: 9/14/2015

President Karen Romer called the meeting to order.

Kelly Baker motioned to approve the June 15, 2015 meeting minutes, seconded by Ron Rindler. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Checking - \$1,424.12, Savings - \$47,762.24

## Committee Reports:

1) Picnic Committee. The picnic brought in \$5,692.25. That is up \$300.00 from last year.

## 2) Membership Welcome Committee.

- a. Quotes on membership plaques all came in under \$10.00 per plaque. It was generally discussed that each paid member in 2016 will get a plaque. The committee was asked to bring in print samples of how the plaques will look prior to final approval.
- b. The committee presented the folders that it will pass out to potential new members and existing members regarding the benefits of being a Chamber member.
- c. The committee requested the 2016 dates for the calendar that will be inserted into the folder.
- d. The committee stated that Fishbaugh Family Eye Care sent its check in the mail along with its membership application.
- e. At this time, the members reiterated that we were not looking for members from outside our general area. We had received an application from a company out of Springfield, Ohio looking for healthcare benefit reduction for being a Chamber member. We more than likely have the cheapest dues in the State of Ohio and that is why they sent an application. M. Lammers noted he had denied the application and sent the check back. All in attendance agreed that this was a suitable response.

## 3) Retailers Committee.

- a. X-mas open house is scheduled for the 13<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> of Nov. The prizes will be \$1000, \$750, \$500 and possible 5-6 \$200 prizes. An Information letter will be sent to M. Lammers who will forward to the Chamber Members.
- b. The open house brought in 3 new members last year.
- c. Last year the Chamber paid for ½ page in the daily standard.
- d. D. Romer motioned to increase the donation to \$750.00 for the committee to use for marketing and noted the event is very successful and brings a lot of people into town and to our businesses. Sharon Rindler seconded the motion. Motion carried.

## **New Business:**

- 1) <u>Switch & Support</u>. S&S sent us a check for \$50.63. Ron Rindler motioned that all future checks from Switch & Support be automatically sent over to the Village office and the amounts noted in the minutes. M. Lammers seconded. Motion carried.
- 2) <u>Invoices</u>. Invoice from TTT for \$250.00 for new website. Motion by Kelly Baker to pay. Seconded by Charlie Gels. Motion carried.
- 3) Thank You. We received a thank you from the House of Hope for our financial donation.

Thanks to Homestretch for September stress relief.

Tomorrow's Technology Today will sponsor stress relief for the September Dancing with Stars.

John Yoder won the pot of gold.

Matt Lammers motioned to adjourn and Kelly Baker seconded. Motion carried. Meet adjourned.

Next meeting is October 19, 2015.

Sincerely,

Matthew C. Lammers

Secretary