



Place: Romer's Catering
Date: 4-11-2016

Members present: Lisa Niekamp Urwin, Ron Gelhaus, Matt Lammers, Kelley Baker, Karen Romer, Frank Urwin, Charlie Gels, John Yoder, David Romer, Chuck Stammen, Don Hess, Ann Garman, Nate Subler, Ron Rindler, Karl Gast, Sharon Rindler

President Matt Lammers called the meeting to order.

The minutes from March 14, 2016, previously read individually by members were motioned for approval by Lisa and seconded by Kelley.

David gave an update on the finances: Checking balance - \$1,596.47, Savings balance - \$34,762.24

The meeting began with a presentation from Matt Appenzeller, representative of the Southern Ohio Chamber Association (SOCA). Our St Henry Chamber is a member of SOCA, therefore every St Henry Chamber member may take advantage of the SOCA benefits. Specifically, Matt talked about a discount for businesses covered by **Anthem Blue Cross Blue Shield**, he shared information about **Superior Dental Care**, **Shred-it Document Destruction** and **Trak-1**, (*a service that performs background checks*). As a SH Chamber member you could participate in a **Worker's Compensation** Group Rating program, and you have access to the **SOCA Health Savings Card**. More information about each of these services and their respective contact information has been made available in the attached document titled SOCA benefits.

To truly enhance your understanding of the SOCA benefits you may want to consider participating in one of the upcoming **FREE** seminars as described on the SOCA home page. Log onto www.joinsoca.com scroll down, click on SOCA BENEFIT PLAN EDUCATIONAL SEMINARS for more information and registration.

Committee Reports:

- 1) **Welcome Committee:** The SH Village office has been sending new business information and business change information to Karen Romer. Ron Gelhaus will now forward that information to Kelley Baker (Welcome Committee). Kelley will work with Matt Lammers to draft a letter that welcomes the new business and shares information about the Chamber.
- 2) **Website:** The Chamber member list has been updated on the web site – check it out!
- 3) **Banquet Committee:** The annual banquet is scheduled for May 9th at the Mercer County Elks, beginning with social hour at 6:15, dinner served at 7:30 and entertainment to follow. Sharon will prepare and e-mail a formal invitation to all members. Ron Gelhaus will reach out to St Henry Mayor, Steve Koesters and Council President, Doug Rinderle to invite them to the Banquet.

New Business:

- 1) **2016 SH Picnic Ticket** – It was suggested and agreed to place an (*) aside all of the SH Chamber member names listed on the raffle ticket.

Old Business:

- 2) **June Meeting** – Brian Hogenkamp, confirmed our request to hold our June meeting at their new St Henry facility; the meal will be catered by Romer's Catering.

Thank you to **Stammen Insurance** for hosting the stress relief.

Pot of God won by Ron Gelhaus - \$32!

Chuck motioned to adjourn the meeting; Frank seconded. Motion carried.

Next meeting is the **Chamber Banquet, Monday, May 9, 2016** WATCH FOR YOUR SPECIAL INVITE! Social hour will be sponsored by The St Henry Bank.

Sincerely,

Sharon Rindler

Secretary