

Minutes of the Chamber Board Meeting January 30, 2019

The noon meeting was called to order by President Scott Millner at Irish Blessings. Board members present were Scott Millner, John Volden, Kathy Hennen, Cathy Elfstrand, Paul Manuel and Nick Pawlenty.

Secretary's Report: Nick Pawlenty read the Minutes from the November 28, 2018 meeting. A motion was made by John Volden and second by Paul Manuel to approve the minutes. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Kathy Hennen reported the Chamber Checking is at \$11,474.76, Gear-Head Checking at \$13,858.43, Ambassador Checking at \$3,308.48, Ambassadors Savings at \$2,502.36 and Lord Abbett Investment at \$24,086.65. A motion was made to accept by Paul Manuel and second by Nick Pawlenty. Motion carried.

Old Business: The Ambassadors program was discussed at the meeting. Tricia Manuel was sick and could not give a report, but Nick Pawlenty and Kathy Hennen reported the program has two candidates Trinity Geyen and Lilly Workman, and has also introduced the Littles program (younger girls and boys) and have five entries, one boy and four girls. The program seems to be heading in the right direction and will get a report at the next meeting.

The Chamber Social was attended well this year. Kathy Hennen reported 22 businesses being present with multiple people from each business in attendance. The Chamber Board also wanted to thank Monica and the American Legion for the great service and food provided.

The St. Patrick's Day Parade was discussed with Nick Pawlenty reporting. Donations, vendors and parade registrations have been steadily coming in and everything seems to be in order as of right now. Pastor Culynn Curtis will be singing before the parade, Jeff Rivers and Anna Pribyl will announce, Speakers have been locked down and a snapchat filter for the day of the parade was still waiting to be decided on. Nick Pawlenty wanted to thank Jane Decker, Chris Paumen and Bernatello's employees Amy Keller and Dana Minder for the big help they have provided on the committee. More will be updated at the next Chamber meeting.

New Business: Scott Millner reported on the video discussed at a couple of the Chamber meetings. The video would be a helpful hiring tool and asset for people who would like to know more about Maple Lake. Scott Millner reported that it was still in the works and that more information will be available soon.

JGESA (Jane Goodall Environmental Science Academy) was on subject for hosting a Chamber meeting. Discussed was a one time meeting and have it hosted in the evening around 5 p.m. so people could make it out after work. It would have to be in the warmer months as well. No selective decision was made, but was leaning toward trying to make it work.

Nominations for Grand Marshal and Commodore were discussed. The only two at the meeting brought up were Irene Hudek for Grand Marshal and Lynn Kissock for Commodore. The Board thought the selections were picked well, as Irene Hudek had planned the St. Pats Day Parade for many years before stepping down this year, and Lynn Kissock for her work with the Ambassador program and Mayor of Maple Lake.

The Maple Lake Library sent a Thank You card to the Chamber for the donation they had approved at the last meeting for \$5,000.

The budget from Kathy Hennen was brought to the Board and discussed. Kathy Hennen said the Chamber was looking at a \$2,000 profit at the end of the 2019 year. A motion was made to approve the budget from Paul Manuel and second by John Volden. Motion carried unanimously.

Adjourn: A motion was made by Paul Manuel and second by Kathy Hennen to adjourn. Motion carried.

Nick Pawlenty, Secretary