

Maple Lake Chamber of Commerce, Inc.

Meeting was called to order by President Scott Millner at noon on April 3, 2019 at Madigan's. Introductions were made. There were 20 businesses present. Current membership is at 76.

Secretary's Report by Nick Pawlenty: A motion was made by Paul Manuel and second by Mark Redemske to approve the minutes of the March 6 meeting. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report by Kathy Hennen: Balances in the following accounts were read as follows: General account \$20,268.96, Gear-Head account \$10,023.77, Lord Abbett Investment \$24,336.22, Ambassador checking \$5,421.37 and Ambassador Savings \$2,502.96. A motion to accept the Treasurer's report was made by Linda Rassat and second by Lorie Hegle. Motion carried.

Government Report by Elizabeth Borell: The council is in the process of reviewing all the applicants for the City Administrator/Clerk/Treasurer and will be deciding on the finalists to be interviewed.

The City Council voted that they will be taking a much stronger approach to nuisance violations.

Appliance Recycling day is coming up on May 18. More information is available on the city website.

A Volunteer Recruitment Day, coordinated by Councilmember Kirk Larson, is set for May 30th at 5 p.m. at the city park (school if there is rain), to help get more people interested in volunteering their time. All local civic groups are being invited to join us to present their organization and the volunteer opportunities within it. The Messenger has prepared a wonderful ad for publication for the event and the city would like to talk with the chamber about possible financial support to help offset the cost of advertising.

The Farmer's Market is in dire need of volunteers. If you know anyone interested please have them contact City Hall.

School Report by Mark Redemske: School is back in session after Spring Break.

The MSHSL will be bumping the boys hockey team to Class A for at least two years.

A special ed cross subsidy is being looked into- schools in general are having a hard time funding special ed programs.

Mark Redemske had a visit from a Physical Therapist that may move into town.

Celeste Dahlstrom: Pre-prom activities are being planned for Prom week. Some events will include crashed car visual, Stars in commons representing deaths from drinking and driving, Wii Mariokart with goggles on that simulate intoxicated driving, a speaker on distracted driving and students dressing up as crash victims for the day.

Tiffany Grube: Paint pouring class available April 3. Adult wellness classes are available as well, such as Yoga and body conditioning.

Committee Reports:

Irish Party - It went well with snow hindering that night- 105 attended dinner with 142 tickets sold for the event. 170 is the average for attendance.

St. Patrick's Day - The weather held out for the event and brought a lot of people out to the parade. Attendance was a little lower than some years, but not bad. There were 96 units total for the parade. Things to be looked at closer next year is more entertainment for the parade and to keep the kids from chasing candy in the middle of the street as the floats are driving by. Nick Pawlenty also agreed to keep the chair and committee for next year. As of right now, the parade and festival came in around \$1,000 positive for the event and that could change as some bills have not been processed yet.

Craft Sale - It was full this year with people still trying to get in and there is an \$1,184 profit on the event so far. There were 15 new vendors as well.

Old Business: None

New Business: None

Adjournment: A motion was made by Lorie Hegle and second by Paul Manuel to adjourn the meeting. The motion was approved unanimously.

Nick Pawlenty, Secretary

Our next noon meeting is May 1st at The V by HH.