

Minutes of the Chamber Board meeting
November 29, 2017

The meeting was called to order by President, Chris Paumen at Irish Blessings. Other Directors present were Cathy Elfstrand, Kathy Hennen, Scott Millner, Linda Rassat and Paul Manuel. Dana Dingmann was absent.

Secretary's report: Cathy E. read the minutes from the September 27, 2017. A motion was made by Linda and second by Paul to approve the Secretary's report.

Treasurer's report: Kathy H. reported a balance of \$13,727.61 in the Chamber checking, \$21,004.23 in our Lord Abbett investment and the Gear-head showed \$15,661.25. The Ambassador checking is at \$4,841.30

Old Business:

Election of 2018/2019 Officers: Vice President Scott Millner will move to President. Cathy E. said she would not be continuing as Secretary. Nominations will be open for Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary. After nominations are accepted, voting will be completed. After discussing ideas for prospective topics it was decided to have some of the Board members call people to see what the availability would be to have them speak at our meetings.

Kathy H. had been contacted by the bank that the paperwork was signed adding an Ambassador account under the Maple Lake Chamber of Commerce at the bank. They also paid the \$20.00 owed for the extra insurance we had to carry for the parade.

After reviewing the dates available at the Legion and the School calendar it was decided to have our Chamber Social on Thursday, January 25, 2018 at the Legion from 5:00 – 7:00 p.m.

New Business:

Cathy E. said she had a difficult time finding volunteers from the Chamber to help with the Christmas in Maple Lake Event. She contacted Celeste Dahlstrom at the School, who was able to find five High School students from the Irish Mentor program, who will volunteer to help serve the lunch.

Cathy E. was contacted by Tricia Manuel, who had received a \$100.00 donation from the City to purchase a tree to be placed on the empty lot in the downtown area. She is asking the Chamber if they will donate \$200.00 to help with the decorations. A motion was made by Paul and second by Chris to donate \$200.00.

A motion was made by Chris and second by Paul to keep the 2018 dues the same at \$125.00 per year and 110.00 if paid by 2/1/2018. Motion carried.

After reviewing the balances in the accounts, it was decided that at the present time, we will not transfer any money to the Gear-head or Ambassador accounts. Scott Millner had discussed with the Board a request he had received from John Northenscold concerning donating money to the Farmers Market so lettering can be placed on the trailer donated by John Rivers. A motion was made by Kathy H. and second by Paul to donate \$1,000.00 to the Farmers Market.

A motion was made by Paul and second by Linda to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

Cathy Elfstrand, Chamber Secretary