

GF Chamber Meeting Minutes 11-23-10

President Debbie,

Due to the absence of our Secretary Trisha Broughton(ill), I have taken some notes of our meeting this morning and I pass them to you for review and forwarding to the members.

At 0800 the meeting was called to order by President Debbie Taylor. Present at the meeting were: Wally Crow, Vervia Gabriel, Jeanenne Hoyt, Michael Jackson, Jim Kapelke, Robin Kapelke and Debbie Taylor.

There was no new business items on the agenda to discuss so the agenda moved on to current business and the announcement of nominees for the 2011 Chamber election. The following names were submitted by the election committee.

Vice President:

Dr. Nita Bishop-Accepted the nomination

Paul Long-Declined the nomination

Cecil Andrews-Declined the nomination

Secretary:

Trisha Broughton-Accepted the nomination

Ruth Hicks-Could not be contacted

Dr. Nita Bishop-Declined the nomination

Treasurer:

Jeanenne Hoyt-Accepted the nomination

Tera Trask-Did not respond

Board:

Cecil Andrews-Accepted the nomination

Paul Long-Accepted the nomination

Wally Crow-Accepted the nomination

Sherry Pribble-Jones-Declined the nomination

Trisha Broughton-Declined the nomination

The following have not responded:

Dan Meeks

Cheryl Derosier

Tera Trask

Alex @ Omega

Mark Walker

Edith Farrell

Tiana Vitale

The ballots will be mailed to all valid members by the election committee in the coming week and all ballots must be received by the election committee by December 15th. Instructions will be included with the ballot along with a space for write-in candidates.

Phone Book Update:

Cheryl Derosier was not able to attend the meeting so details are forthcoming. It was discussed that 3 bids were received by the phone book committee for collating the ads and a decision who to use will be made by the phone book committee.

Open Discussion:

Debbie opened up a discussion about if the City had a written plan in place for major emergencies. She had received an email from Elizabeth Adams stating that the City was working on a plan and Brent Kirk(city) would be formulating such a plan. There was discussion that the previous administration had been faulted for not having a written emergency plan and that the trend has continued with the current administration. Debbie said she will be contacting the Police Chief, Dennis Taylor, to see if the Police Department has such a plan in place and any phone numbers that can be given out to the city residents via the Chamber avenues.

Debbie talked about the upcoming Senior Lunch at Alphy's on December 13th. She hoped that anyone that was available would be ready and willing to help out the cause. It was discussed that the Chamber would utilize the Chamber phone number for anybody that needed transportation to the Senior Lunch and that any Chamber member that could provide rides for people who needed such would be greatly appreciated. Please contact Debbie Taylor or Jim Kapelke if you are available to provide transportation.

Vervia asked about a recent email concerning the tourism bureau. Debbie explained that it came from Amy Spain at county tourism and was directed at getting visitors and locals to help expand regional travel. Debbie explained that having scavenger hunts would help expand people's awareness of how valuable their local community businesses are to the revitalization of our economy and hoped that everyone would look at the site.

There being no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 0905.

The next meeting will be held at Alphy's @ 1830 (6:30PM) 12-14-10. One of the agenda items will be our award winning GFHS ECO Team will be back to energize us all about their quest to be the best at next years eco competition

The next board meeting will be @ 1815(6:15PM) 12-9-10 at the Robin's Nest Atrium.

Submitted by Jim KapelkeVP
PS- Hope you are feeling better Trisha.