

Columbus Area Chamber of Commerce Minutes
March 14, 2017
The Workshop

The meeting was called to order by President Heather Whitman at 8:00 am

Board Members Present: Heather Whitman, Brittany Bergum, JD Milburn, Greg LeCaptain, Chris Krause , Sue Weirough, Dave Carlson, Tommy Kempfer & Edie Illinski

Minutes:

The last report by this secretary was 2-14-17. Those minutes were approved

Treasurer's Report:

The Treasurer is deep in tax season. We will get an update soon.

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OLD BUSINESS:

- Dave discussed the Columbia County Visitor's Bureau Award
 - The Christmas collaboration between the Chamber, CDDC, Library, Senior Center and City is one of the submitted entries
 - The Columbus Stop, Shop & Sip – again as a collaboration and as the first time.
 - Other entries – Mullis, Bob O'Brien, HLPC, Darvin Frey
- April 27th at noon is the City of Columbus Business Recognition. Vern Stenman from Big Top Baseball will be the guest speaker. Nominations for awards are due by April 3rd.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Ed Schellin was the guest speaker – he is hosting the Good Neighbor Volunteer Recognition Even Thursday April 27th from 6-8 at the Fireman's Park Pavilion
 - Nothing happens in a small city without a lot of volunteers. Ed is looking to recognize those volunteers
 - The event will celebrate all (un-paid) volunteers
 - There will be a certificate of registration
 - The event will feature music by Mark Croft
- Cambria-Friesland Choir will be the entertainment at the ADRC (Dodge County Aging & Disability Resource Center) will host this event which seeks to enrich home life.
- 4th of July committee is looking for ways to improve the parade
 - More music
 - More family friendly
 - Looking for contributions to offset these costs. April 1st is the deadline for ad placement in the 4th of July book.
 - Tommy motioned to sponsor at a silver level (\$300), Edie 2nd the motion and the motion carried

Next monthly meeting will be held Tuesday 4-11-17 at **8:00 am** at The Workshop – 128 W James St.

Motion to adjourn was made by Tommy, seconded by Sue, motion carried. Motion Carried

Respectfully submitted,



Edie Illinski,
Secretary