



# Jefferson Area Chamber of Commerce Minutes

January 11, 2011

The regular meeting of the Jefferson Area Chamber of Commerce was held on January 11th, 2011 at 6:30 pm at the Community Center. Members present:

Bob Ovendale, Michael Clonch, Ben Pickett, Karen Wells, Sheryl Forrest, Mersha Studer, Dan Troutman, Clare Troutman, Deb Keehn, Bill Linhart, Brenda Jungworth, Walt Perry, Kimberly Santana, Vicki Ovendale, Jeff Mercec

**I) Welcome and Introductions**

**II) Minutes from November 9, 2010 & December 14, 2010**

- a. Correction to additions to the agenda. Karen Wells from the Community Center has a thank you card for Jack Gardiner....
- b. Motion to approve November 9<sup>th</sup>, 2010 & December 14, 2010 minutes with corrections made by Sheryl Forrest, seconded by Kimberly Santana. All approved motion carried.

**III) Treasurers Report**

- a. As of December 31, 2010 the Chamber bank account has \$9,318.66. The Mint Festival has \$6,598.58. The Mint Festival is being moved to its own entity as of December 31, 2010.
- b. Motion to approve the Financials for December made by Walt Perry, seconded by Ben Pickett. All approved motion carried.

**IV) Additions to Agenda**

- a. Karen Wells is looking for people that know how to bake a pie. There is a pie baking contest and auction on Saturday. They only have 4 pies which will not be enough.
- b. The visitor center in Albany has a Two Rivers Trail and Quilted Barn Contest. The quilters decided they would like to do this. She wants to know if the Chamber and the Quilters would like to work together. If anyone is interest please contact Karen Wells.
- c. Check Signers
  - i. Nancy Hamby motions to remove all previous signers from the Chamber of Commerce checking account at Sterling Savings Bank as of January 11, 2011. Replace them with Bob Ovendale, Nancy Hamby, Karen Wells, and Michael Clonch. Sheryl Forrest Seconds. All approved motion carried.
- d. Plan Events
  - i. Bob was contacted by the Culpepper & Merriweather circus to comeback to Jefferson and wants to know if we would be in favor of them coming back.
- e. Nancy Hamby was presented with a plaque to show appreciation of her service as president over the last year.
- f. The Table Toppers for the Troutman's ad was a bit controversial.

**V) Spotlight on Business**

- i. Next Month's spotlight will be Parks & Rec.



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## VI) Old Business - Updates

- a. Membership- Walt Perry
  - i. New Member: The Plantation Inn
  - ii. Reminder that Dues are coming up.
- b. Open House, After Hours, Business Lunch -
  - i. Next Chamber Luncheon is January 26<sup>th</sup> @ Plantation Inn --Noon.
- c. Adopt-A-Highway -
  - i. Next Adopt-A-Highway is March 19<sup>th</sup>. 8:00-10:30.
- d. Welcome Wagon -
- e. Flag Honor Guard -
  - i. Martin Luther King Jr - January 17<sup>th</sup> - Nancy & Jeff
- f. Website/Marketing
  - i. Hosting is needed to make upgrades to the websites. Clare would like a local person to host it. Would like to start hosting the new site with Ben Pickett. Clare makes a motion to host website through Ben Pickett, Seconded by Walt Perry. All approved motion carried.
- g. Mint Festival
  - i. Ray Daughtry will be the Grand Marshall for the Mint Festival.
  - ii. New Committee members: Terry & Pat McKenzie and Fiona Piker
  - iii. Hop Around the World will be the theme.
  - iv. The committee is still working on getting the Mint Festival set up as a separate non-profit.

## VII) Information/Announcements

- a. Next Chamber Luncheon will be January 26<sup>th</sup> @ Plantation Inn - Noon
- b. Volunteers for Peace - Jeff Mercec was approached to see if we are going to host volunteers for peace again. It is the general consensus to address next years (2012) volunteers for peace but this year we will not sponsor it (2011)
- c. Mersha would like to invite everyone to Bunko for the Friends of the Library. Saturday at the Purple Frog Quilt shop. The tickets are \$10 in advance and \$15 at the door.
- d. There will be a bus to Chinook Winds on Tuesday April 5<sup>th</sup> 10:00-5:30. It is a \$20 fundraiser for the Friends of the Library. There will be more details to come.
- e. Wig workshop is going to be big. There should be a really good turnout. Monday the 24<sup>th</sup> of January from 5-7PM.
- f. Jigsaw Puzzle Contest
- g. Swap Meet
- h. Community Center has wood for sale. \$150 per cord.
- i. Exercise every Monday & Thursday at 5:00PM
- j. Talking about having a Community Choir

**Adjourn**