



CHAMBER/MAIN STREET MINUTES –March 13, 2018

Present: Amie Johansen, Jason Knox, Chris DeBack, Kevin Baumler, Sandy Klosterman, Cathy Harris, Gail Hackman, and Mike Johnson, and Mayor Adam Keller

Absent: Bob Sadler, Rick Trumm, Cam Granger, Nick McIntyre and Sam-FCED

1. Meeting was called to order at 7:05 a.m. by Vice President Cathy Harris.
2. Motion was made by Mike, seconded by Gail, to approve the Agenda as presented. All Aye. Carried.
3. Motion made by Mike, seconded by Chris, to table adding Steve Roach to the board as he was not in attendance. All Aye. Carried.
4. Motion was made by Kevin, seconded by Chris, to approve February minutes as presented. All Aye. Carried.
5. Motion was made by Mike, seconded by Kevin, to table approval of the financials as Chris just took this over and needs to clarify a few items. All Aye. Carried.
6. Rachel Hanken has requested us to partner with her in bringing a speaker into the school to talk about issues affecting the kids today. Gail discussed with Rachel her investment in our organization, and Sandy provided her a form. At this time, she is just asking our help to get the word out. Motion was made by Mike, seconded by Chris, to partner with her. All Aye. Carried.
7. Catholic Church has asked us to make out specific chamber bucks they could purchase to use for requests that come to them, such as a person in need, stating chamber bucks cannot be used for alcohol or cigarettes. Group discussed that the church could make that stipulation on them if they choose, but didn't feel we need separate ones just for them. Kevin made a motion to leave chamber bucks as is, Mike seconded. All Aye. Carried.
8. Discussed church investments, and all board in agreement that \$120 is a fair amount for non-profits, including churches.
9. Committee Reports
 - Promo – (Amie & Chris) Working on Divas & Dining for Friday, April 6th at the West Union Event Center, and 4th of July events. Discussed Playin' on the Plaza with different businesses as special guests each week (an idea given to Sandy by a business). Board would like to see the feature be the investors list only as another way to thank them.
 - Design & Business Improvement – (Gail) Yard of the Month - Gail asked everyone to help nominate as they see yards decorated. Ray Steffens is very interested in having a mural added to his building on N. Vine if we want to work on that.
 - Community Development - (Jason) Last meeting hosted at UIU, and they are willing to commit resources to assist businesses with interns, website help, and marketing.
 - Organization – (Mike) Next meeting today. Lost \$1500 on Casino night, but had really good feedback. Cathy has joined the group and so has Tracy Weidemann. They will work on ways to make up that loss, as well as other fundraising. Golf tournament is set for June 23rd at Clermont.
10. **President's Report** –Bob was not able to attend, so skipped this agenda item.
11. **Director's Report** –Sandy handed out Board Member Orientation packet and forms to sign & return. Chris & Sandy created an investor certificate which will be print on cardstock and delivered to the investors to frame. Kevin also discussed the mortgage loan renewal coming up in April. With everything coming under Main Street, we may need to update the abstract. Kevin will discuss with Pat Ritter for best way to proceed.

Gail made a motion to adjourn, Amie seconded. All Aye. Meeting Adjourned at 8:30 am.

Next meeting: April 10, 2018 at 7:00 a.m. at the Chamber/Main Street office.

Total Volunteer Hours to be Logged: 13.5 Hours Submitted by Amie Johansen

Mission: Investing in the Community by bringing people together to achieve a support system that seeks to promote business success, downtown revitalization, and a sense of Community Pride

Vision: Through Community Engagement, create a unique and prosperous downtown to enrich the entire business community of West Union and beyond that embraces History, Preserves Natural Environment, and Promotes Quality Events that instills a Sense of Community Pride