

**Manchester Area Chamber of Commerce**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**November 9<sup>th</sup> 2009**



Present: Ray Berg, Michele Ingalls, Jeff Wallace, Rose Cousince, Siobhan Gorman, Fred Best, Janet Larson, Chris Kanta, Bill Chizmar, Daniel Lai, Lori Fordham, Bonnie Greenwald, Julia M Gregg, Christine Yob, Beth Tomaszewski, Jodi Flowers, Jessie O'Jack, Shawn Lewis-Lakin, Kathy Roberts, Kevin Murphy, Carl Curtis, Sharon Curtis, Jim Mann, Karl Racenis, and Pat Vaillencourt.

Called to order 12:30

- 1.) Approval of Agenda: Motion to approve Jody Flowers, second Dan Lai. Motion carried.
- 2.) Program State of the Village- Jeff Wallace talked about the 2011 M52 project being at risk. Went over economic conditions and solutions. Spoke about the community and how it ranked top in standard and poor, allowing us to sell bonds to better our community. Water and Sewer rates were not increased. Talked about the Men's Club and how much they are helping in the community.
- 3.) Secretary's Report –None, motion to approve Jim Mann, second Carl Curtis. Motion carried.
- 4.) Treasurer's Report- Approved, motion to approve Sharon Curtis, second Jeff Wallace Motion carried.
- 5.) Reports From Standing Committees
  - a. Manufactures- Want to get them in the door to talk more in depth on what they do.
  - b. Membership-No Report
  - c. Web Site- One new feature link on homepage 2009 Manchester events. This can give you easy access to additional photos of the event.
  - d. DDA- This year we have chosen the Down Town authority budget.
- 6.) Old Business
  - A. Carmel Apple Event Feedback- Went very well!! Ran out of sticks early. We went through 1200-1300 apples and about 200 apples where stickless. We did have a 1 child to 10 adult's ratio. Thank you Sharon Curtis!

- B. Christmas in the Village Planning- Christine Yobb is doing a great job and reports everything's is running smoothly! Thank you Christine!
- C. Expanded Coverage Results- Jackson Citizens Patriot is helping give Manchester print coverage. We are also getting some help from M-Live and AnnArbor.Org just chose the Manchester Tab.

7.) New Business

- A.) Presidents Report- Ray went over October 15<sup>th</sup> AAACVB meeting, Film Forum Planning, "Pure Michigan" click through results, hotel tax increases to fund expanded wed coverage including Manchester (Tourism Micro site).
- B.) MSP/WCSD Crime Report went over by Karl Racenis. We talked about developing a new Manchester Emergency phone tree.
- C.) Area Movie Films- Big thank you to Ray Berg and Karl Racenis for helping put Manchester on the map for future film projects! Village Green will be coming to Ann Arbor next summer. This will be our third movie coming into the communities. Please keep up the great work!

Adjournment- Motion to approve Shawn Lewis-Lakin, second Carl Curtis motion carried.