

Manchester Area Chamber of Commerce
Meeting Minutes
October 12th, 2009



Present: Ray Berg, Siobhan Gorman, Ron Mann, Carol Britten, Bill Chizmar, Barry Allen, Peggy Allen, Bonnie Greenwald, Karl Racenis, Chris Kanta, Nick Auito, Jody Flowers, Shawn Lewis-Lakin, Ken Ascher, Kathy Roberts, Lori Fordham, Janet Larsen, Carl Curtis, Sharon Curtis, John Manor, Senator Richardville and Michelle Ingalls.

Called to order 12:30 PM

Approval of Agenda: Motion to approve Ron Mann, second Sharon Curtis. Motion carried.

1. Program: Upcoming County-Wide Education Enhancement Millage,
Shawn Lewis-Lakin

Talked about schools budget for the 2010 school year and why he was in favor of the County-Wide Enhancement Millage being voted on November 3rd 2009. Handed out the presentation and went over with group the main highlights of the millage. Please see Lori Fordham if you would like a copy.

Secretary's Report - Motion to approve Carl Curtis, second Barry Allen. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report - Motion to approve Ron Mann, second Janet Larsen. Motion carried.

2. Reports from Standing Committees
 - A. Manufacturers - none
 - B. Membership- Membership is up. We are up two new members. The newest member is Bruce Bates. Welcome Bruce!! Thank you Sharon Curtis for your hard work.
 - C. Web Site- Karl Racenis- No updates
 - D. DDA- No updates
3. Old Business
 - A. Oktoberfest feedback- A success. Nick Auito shared some great ideas for next year as well did others. Please E-mail Lori Fordham with any ideas you have at Lori.Fordham@CitizensBanking.com. We continue to look for ways to bring more people to this chamber event.

- B. Expanded press coverage results- Ray Berg reviewed recent developments on expanding coverage of Manchester business and community events.
- C. Farmers Market- This year Donna Stockwell has volunteered to co-manage; however would like volunteers. Please call (734) 428-0721.

4. New Business

- A. President's Report – October 15 AAACVB meeting, CRC Volunteer Recognition Dinner Nominations, Tecumseh Homefront ad October 1- Congratulations Ron and Linda Milkey!! Thank you for everything you do! Congratulations!
- B. Caramel Apple Tradition Planning- Asked for volunteers.
- C. Christmas in the Village Planning- Asked for volunteers, please contact Christine Yob at Comerica Bank (734) 428-8944.

5. General Announcements and Adjournment

- A. Ron Mann talked about the WATS survey.

Adjournment- Motion to approve Barry Allen, second Shawn Lewis-Lakin, carried.