Minutes

Minong Area Chamber of Commerce September 5, 2018 Meeting Minutes

Meeting called to order at 1:05 p.m. by Tracy Elkins, President. 14 attendees present.

Introduction of Attendees: Linda Havlicek, Betty Glaser, Vonnie Clements, Sandy Edison, Tracy Elkins, Jerry Smith, Fran Coenen, Kristen Blankenship, Dawn Pearce, Ken Weinaug, Kelly Krauss, Jeff Vesta, Glenys Thorsen, Milly Thissen.

A Smith/Thompson motion to approve agenda; motion carried.

A Coenen/Pearce motion to approve the minutes from August 1, 2018 meeting; motion carried. No financial report given due to recent family death of Treasurer Lorrie Money. Elkins mentioned that we received \$1345 reimbursement from the Village of Minong for our beautification project and \$411 MACC wearables sales in the last week.

Guests Speakers:

#1 - Linda Havlicek, President of the Minong Area Library, Sandy Edison, Secretary, Vonnie Clements, Treasurer, and Betty Glaser, former Secretary. History, and current status of card holders, resources given. They have just less than 5000 items in the library over the last 3 years, serving 10 different municipalities. New location will provide two and half the square footage. Process of closing current site September 15, moving in the next 2 weeks, with intent to open October 3 at 212 5th Street. Currently in need of children's furniture, rugs, with more to be mention when new site opens. In the new location, they would like to offer English as a second language and help people who want to get GED. Volunteers needed to pack up books, move, supply trailers, build specific bookshelves, etc. Call 715.466.1116 or stop at library or email minongarealibrary@gmail.com

#2 – Kelly Krauss about the R.O.H.V.A Sponsored Powersport Safety Program on Tuesday, September 11 at the Northwood School, N14463 Highway 53 in Minong. Handout information given with plans to send an email to editor at Spooner Advocate and to the MACC members. Call Kelly Krauss at 612.716.7417 if any questions.

Old Business

- 1. Membership: As of August 23, 2018, 64 total members which include 4 current, 46 renewals and 14 new members with collection of \$3,650. 2017 had 64 members.
- 2. Successful August 4 Meat Raffle at Gruzy's with greater than \$500 returns.
- 3. 2019 Washburn County Visitors Guide finalized this morning.
- 4. August 31 MACC wearables Sidewalk Sale: Successful four hours of selling in front of Walker Lumber. Need to repeat sidewalk sales for other long holiday weekends. Will place order this next week for larger sizes and to keep the shelves at Walker full.

New Business

 Banners on Village of Minong main street lamp poles: Elkins contacted and received approval from Dahlberg Electric to add banners to electric poles. Two different colors alternating, "Welcome to Minong" and sponsor name with cost of \$200 per banner and need 18 double-sided vinyl, weatherproof banners that will be up all 12 months of the year. There will still be space on the poles to place Christmas decorations and the American flag. Final design and color to be determined yet. Need to write up Banner Sponsor letter to go to all businesses in the area.

- 2. MACC merchandises on MACC website: Elkins family will do pictures in the MACC wearables and then have them on the website. Fran Coenen, Web Coordinator, will manage the mail orders when MACC starts mail order. Coenen/Thissen will work on list for MACC website with target date of November 1, 2018.
- 3. Visitors 24/7 Information Kiosk of brochures and maps for ATV and other visitors with possible \$1,000 grant from the Washburn County. Committee of Elkins, Fosberg, & Blankenship to do fact-finding. Any suggestions are welcomed.
- 4. Halloween Trunk-o-ween: October 31 from 4 to 6 p.m. at St. Mary's Catholic Church with Coenen updating flyer and adding to website. Comforts will host a Harvest Party from 4 to 7 p.m. doing games at the Village of Minong hall.
- 5. Jack Link's Aquatic & Activity Center: Weinaug mentioned that Program Guides will be coming out soon. There are 175 Silver Sneaker members plus more with Silver and Fit. Three more insurance programs are in process.
- 6. New Hope Lutheran Church is conducting Spaghetti Feed at the Minong Senior Center on October 26 from 4:30 to 7 p.m. with all proceeds going to the Minong Senior Center. Everyone is welcome to join in this event.

Business issues for next meeting:

- 1. Halloween Trunkoween
- 2. Beautification of banners on light poles of main street area of Village of Minong
- 3. Update of current status of the Kiosk "Visitors Information" Project
- 4. MACC merchandise

Adjournment: 1:53 p.m. with Smith/Weinaug motion.

Next Meeting is October 3, 2018 starting 1 p.m. at Comforts, 405 Main Street, Minong.