

## **WISNER AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE SEPTEMBER 28, 2011 MEETING MINUTES**

A total of 8 members met at Coachmen's Steak House for the regular meeting

Co-President Jamie Parker called the meeting to order at 8:00 A.M.

There were no guests present.

The minutes of the July 27, 2011 meeting as emailed, sent regular mail and provided as a handout were reviewed. Kathie Meyer made a motion to accept the minutes as presented, second by Layne Matthes. No further discussion, motion carried.

Secretary/Treasurer Sonya Arduser gave the Treasurer's Report with a handout showing fiscal year to date transaction history and with the total of all accounts as of September 27, 2011. The handout is made a part of these minutes by reference. A motion to accept was made by Layne Matthes second by Cindy Goeller. No further discussion, motion carried.

**MEMBERSHIP UPDATE** – As of the time of the meeting there are 52 members paid. No new members to report.

**COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED** – Discover Northeast Travel guide asked that we provide 2012 event dates for their guide. We received a Thank you from Brayden Anderson for our sponsorship in the Wisner Junior Livestock Show. The Deshler Chamber sent a request for a recipe. They are trying to put together a cookbook with recipes from every town in Nebraska. Elaine Bak volunteered to get back to them. October 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> there will be an event called Connecting Young Nebraskan. There is going to be a seminar on the 27<sup>th</sup> and a golf outing on the 28<sup>th</sup>. It is for young adults age 20 to 40. You can be a sponsor for \$250 or it is \$40 without sponsorship. They are on face book if interested.

**WCD UPDATE/CUMING COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** - Garry Clark reported September 25<sup>th</sup> was the CCED Banquet. Wisner was named Community of the Year and Citizens State Bank was named Business of the Year for West Point/Wisner. Aaron Davis was the speaker. They launched the I Am Cuming County Video. Garry also reported that Subway is on a little bit of a hold. The owner has other projects he has to get done for his customers. Hopefully it will be up and running soon. October 5<sup>th</sup> will be a meeting for the 1<sup>st</sup> ever Cuming County Foundation (CCF). It was suggested that we put a congratulations in the paper. A motion to accept was made by Cindy Goeller second by Kathie Meyer. No further discussion, motion carried. Garry also brought up Cuming County FAÇADE. This is a grant that businesses can apply for. It is to be used for storefront improvements. We can donate money to this grant and have it go to a Wisner business that receives this grant. It was suggested that we donate \$1000 to this. A motion to accept was made by Cindy Goeller second by Layne Matthes. No further discussion, motion carried.

**2012 WISNER AREA CHAMBER CALENDAR CONTEST** – It was decided to extend the contest to October 17<sup>th</sup>. We have sponsors, just waiting on a few to pay. Kathie Meyer volunteered to get the dates of the Wisner events for the calendar.

**FLOWER POTS** – The City of Wisner will be picking up the flowerpots and putting them at Roger Oligmuller's for the winter. We decided to run an ad in the paper thanking them for this and then thanking Sally for her work on them.

**CHRISTMAS PROMOTION** – Citizens has volunteered to do the soup this year. Jamie asked if we need to have someone be the chair person for this or could we just do as we did last year and find volunteers to do the decorating, etc. Jamie said she would go around to local businesses and see if they would want to help. Carling Bloedorn is going to bring it up to the Government class to get some young adults to volunteer to help decorate and receive Government hours for it. We are going to do the receipts again this year. Information about this will be in the paper soon.

**FRANK NOVOTNY APPRECIATION** – Frank’s appreciation went very well. It was well attended. It was discussed that we need to possibly do some more appreciations for other retirees in town. Elaine is going to talk to the retirees and see if they would like to do this and we will discuss at the next meeting.

**RIBBON CUTTINGS** – WisTown Storage’s ribbon cutting was September 28<sup>th</sup> at 10am. Apologies were said for not getting this out in a timely manner. Still waiting on a few other businesses to set their ribbon cuttings.

**NEW VICE-PRESIDENT** – Chase Becker put in his resignation. He has moved and can no longer be the Vice-President. It was discussed whether or not we should replace or just continue with Co-Presidents. We will be looking for new officers in a couple of months, so it was decided to just leave it as is.

**FIREMEN’S AUXILIARY** – Some of the Firemen’s wives have decided to get the Auxiliary up and running again. They are going to have children preschool thru 4<sup>th</sup> grade do fire prevention posters this year. They asked if the Chamber would help with prizes. It was suggested that we donate chamber bucks, \$10 to 1<sup>st</sup> place, \$5 to second and third, for a total of \$360 in chamber bucks. A motion to accept was made by Cindy Goeller second by Kathie Meyer. No further discussion, motion carried.

**NEXT MEETING** – October 26<sup>th</sup>, 2011 at 8:00 a.m. at Coachmen’s

**ADJOURNMENT** – A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Sony Arduser second by Cindy Goeller. No further discussion, motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted:

Sonya Arduser Secretary/Treasurer