

New Baden Chamber of Commerce Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, April 1, 2009
8:00 p.m., American Legion Home

Prior to the Regular Meeting of the Chamber of Commerce, the June Jamboree Committee met.

Meeting called to order at 8:10 p.m. by President Larry Wankel. Sixteen members were present.

Minute Approval: All present agreed to approve minutes from March 4, 2009.

Treasurer's Report: All present agreed to approve the Treasurer's report.

New Baden Directory: No updates.

Property Purchase: Property Committee will meet after the Chamber meeting, 9:00 p.m. to finalize the proposal for the sealed bid to be submitted to the Village of New Baden due by 4:00 p.m. on Monday, April 6, 2009.

First County Bank Bill: Treasurer Loepker reported the bill of \$150.00 to have the safety deposit box drilled open at First County Bank due to lack of key.

Park Concession Stand: Tim Hoerchler stated he has talked to Bob Oster, coach for the Legion Ball team. The consensus is to not purchase the old concession stand, but there is the possibility of an offer to help finance the new building, with the option that the Chamber of Commerce will have access to the building for Chamber events. This will remain on future agendas until something is decided upon.

Village Wide Yard sale and Spring Clean-up: An ad will be placed in the Belleville News Democrat for the Village Wide Yard Sale. Post cards will be mailed to New Baden residents informing of the yard sale and the annual spring clean-up. Jerry Kunz will handle the scrap metal collection on that day (in the past, he has been the only business to submit a bid for the sale of the scrap). Jim Osborne and Al Kues have received copies of the Certificate of Insurance from the Village of New Baden. It was noted that any help will be appreciated that day. Wits.inc will again be doing the electronics collection; will accept anything with a cord. Highland Recycling will be contacted for paper recycling in advance for the 2010 clean-up.

Opening of New Businesses: It was agreed that flowers would be sent to Giovanni's To Go and Used Surplus Furniture.

Boy Scout Jamboree: No new information. Emailing has been going back on forth between the Chamber Officers and Loretta Hilmes of the Boy Scouts regarding clarification of the duties required by the Boy Scouts.

Miss New Baden: Lions Club will be sponsoring the Miss New Baden contest this year. It was noted that the Lions Club needs to be made aware of the 20% of profit that is standard. This was established several years ago in a letter mailed to New Baden organizations. Discussion on the events planned with the crowning; the Chamber would like as much as possible to take place at the Park. Teri Crane will contact the Lions regarding all matters.

June Jamboree: An email confirmation was decided as an accept affirmation that organizations participating in this years Jamboree are aware of the 20% profit portion to the Chamber. Wanda Gildig suggested a dessert stand to be set up during the June Jamboree. It was stated that this was tried in the past and did not go over very well.

J.V. (Buddy) Mueller Tree: The location has been determined for the tree to be planted in memory of Buddy Mueller. Brent Rakers has the plaque. The tree will be planted adjacent to the tree in memory of Greg Tributou.

Trailer Insurance: Jill Loepker stated that the insurance for the Chamber trailer is due.

Incorporation Papers: Jill Loepker stated that the corporation of the New Baden Chamber needs to be reinstated. It has not been done since 2005. Fees of \$82.00 were noted.

A motion was made by Mary Kues, seconded by Bill Koentz to adjourn the meeting. All present voting aye, motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Todd Juehne of First County Bank was drawn for the cash drawing. He was not in attendance to receive \$28.00

Respectfully submitted,

Teri L Crane
Secretary