

New Baden Chamber of Commerce
Meeting Minutes
November 5, 2008
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****NOTICE****

The next Chamber meeting will be held at 7:00 PM on Wednesday, 12/3.

Vice President Brent Rakers called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm. Ten persons were present.

OLD BUSINESS

- Secretary's Minutes. Jill Loepker moved to accept, John Marshall seconded. Motion passed.
- Treasurer's Report. Scott Meinhardt moved to accept, John Marshall seconded. Motion passed.
 - Funds Allocation. At the next meeting a final decision will be made regarding allocation of funds among checking, money market and certificates of deposit.
 - Jamboree Profit Remittances. The Treasurer has not received the 20% from the Jaycees.
 - Payment for Truck Pull Advertising. Scott Meinhardt stated that the only outstanding bill is that for Precision Lawn Care.
- Chili Cook-Off. Scott Meinhardt gave general report on a very successful cook-off. Electrical service went well. Scott thanked Larry Pfeffer in absentia for the electrical work. General layout of booths worked better than in previous years. Twenty-two competitors entered versus 24 last year. Discussion regarding possible improvements for next year followed.
- Bud & Florence Mueller Memorial. Jerry Green moved to spend \$300 for the stone, \$150 for the tree and \$150 maximum for landscaping. Paul Berkemann seconded, motion passed.
- Chamber Directory.
 - General. This version of the directory will be handled as in last publication. Mike Conley will handle all selling aspects of directory. Cost will be approximately same as last directory.
 - Senior Citizen Section. Discussion took place regarding costs and benefits of adding a substantial section for this purpose. Overall, sentiment was that a larger publication would detract from the concise reference for local business and residents that is intended. Rather than attempt to provide an exhaustive resource, a limited

amount of information will be provided that should steer a senior in the right direction to satisfy the need. Scott Meinhardt moved to condense the information and allocate a maximum of a half page of space to senior citizen/aging related information. Paul Berkemann seconded, motion passed.

- Discounted Advertising. After discussion, Jerry Green moved to offer 50% discount to all Chamber members with New Baden address. Teri Crane seconded, motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS

- Boy Scouts National Jamboree in 2010. Ken Hilmes and Jay O'Brien presented information on event and financial need. They seek help from the Chamber in financial form as well as other, such as fund-raising ideas. The total need is \$6000. Those present decided to support to an extent to be determined over time, depending on how many of the local kids are selected to go to the event and to the extent they assist with Chamber events between now and then.
- American Legion Friday-Night Bingo. John Marshall said Scott Feist needs help with bingo. If anyone can help, he/she should contact Scott. It was noted that the Legion is very supportive of Chamber efforts.
- Nominations for Officers for 2009.
 - Officers Who Have Indicated They Will Not Run: Stan Brandmeyer and Brent Rakers.
 - Nominations:
 - President: Mary Kues, Bob Nielsen
 - Vice President: Jill Loepker
 - Treasurer: Dana Heyde, Tammy Griesbaum, Todd Juehne
 - Secretary: Michelle Kujawa, Raf Him

Adjournment. Jerry Linthicum moved to adjourn, John Marshall seconded. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Larry Wankel, Secretary