

Milford Commercial Club Minutes

November 8th, 2012 | Catered by: Buy Rite

Board Members present:

Dawn Powell, Corey Langner, Chris Hinshaw, Kevin Wharton

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Nick Origer, Char Kremmin, Mary Dannatt, Don Lamb, Matt Skaret, Tom Arends, Laura Ingwersen, Bob Espy, Roger DeVries, Pat Adams, Sharon Mayer, Susan Reiser, Dee Truman, Georgia Sheley, Susan Schoning

Meeting was called by Dawn Powell at noon.

Introduction of members present

Secretary's Report: Was emailed out. Susan made a motion to approve and 2nd by Tom; Passed

Treasurer's Report: Given by Corey. Mary made a motion to approve and 2nd by Tom; Passed

Chamber of Commerce Report: It was brought up that the Annual Dinner was Monday Night. Winter Games planning is underway, they need help. They are having a meeting on Monday the 26th for anyone interested in helping.

Regular Business:

Downtown Halloween Recap- Went over it and everyone seemed to be happy with the way it went and it was decided to go ahead with this event next year. The only thing we need to do is better explain what we are doing & a suggestion was given to have real pumpkins outside the business instead of the pumpkin pictures in the window.

Annual Meeting – Need a committee to start putting this together. Passed around a Volunteer sign-up sheet. Volunteers that signed up were: Nick Origer, Chris Hinshaw & Tom Arends. It was discussed that the suggested caterer is Perkins. We just need to figure out where we have it and the date, which needs to be before the 2nd week in February. Georgia brought up a motion to keep the price at \$10.00 each person. We explained that we may not be in a position to accept that motion because we need to take a look at the expenses first since last year the cost was \$500.00 more than what we took in to pay for the annual meeting costs. Kevin at Perkins agreed to put together some food options and we will vote on it at the next meeting.

Networking Coffee- We passed around a sign up for the next few months & it seems that there are still interest in hosting the coffee. The open dates for hosting a Networking Coffee is: February 5th, March 5th, March 19th, April 2nd.

Exec Team Opening- We are still taking nominations for the Exec Team, if you are interested in volunteering your time or know someone who would be a good addition to the Exec Team please let us know.

Holiday Fantasy- The planning is going well, we still need 1 Soup. During the meeting Cottage Garden said they would provide a roaster of Soup. We are going to have a voting on the Favorite Soup/Chili this year. We will be getting the posters and raffle tickets around this week.

Jack Rees's Painting- We discussed the Raffle and that the tickets are not being sold as well as we had hoped they would be. We don't know how many tickets have been sold but the guess is that there hasn't even been 50 tickets sold.

Okoboji Tailgating Date for January Basketball is January 29th- We passed around a sign up to help with that. Chairperson: Open, Volunteers to help plan: Mary Dannatt, Volunteers to help at the Tailgate: Georgia Sheley, Char Kremmin, Susan Schoning, Nick Origer, Chris Hinshaw. If you are willing to Chair this event or help with it, let us know. In the past we have done Taco's in a Bag & feel it is best to stick with that because we know about how much of everything to get.

Friday Night Social: An idea came to us from a member that we should have a Friday Night Social at area Pubs/Bars. We decided to start it in November, the first Social was held at The Scoreboard Bar on November 9th at 5 PM. We had a very nice turn out; there were about 20 people that showed up between 5 PM and 6:30. It was come and go, not everyone stayed for an hour and some stayed longer than an hour. I think the general census was to have it again in December. We will be having it on December 14th (The Friday after our Thursday Monthly meetings) at 5PM, Location is The Pub in Milford. It was just a nice time to visit with other members/member spouses & guests.

2013 Membership Dues \$50.00—We will be getting invoices in the mail before the next meeting for the 2013 dues, we have decided to leave the dues at \$50.00 for the 2013 year. We appreciate any additional donations that a business might be willing to make.

Announcements: Roger from Cottage Gardens announced to the group that he went ahead and planted 8 planters downtown for fall. It was brought up that Lynnette Cook wanted to submit a bid to plant the planters. Matt said that Lynnette was planning to come to the City Council Meeting the following Monday, but saw they had been planted & decided not to come to the meeting. Discussion was made to have Roger and Lynnette do half of each of the planters since Roger already planted 8, he would just plant another 3. A motion was made by Tom to have each of them plant ½ the planters and we would pay them both, splitting the bill with the City & the half not to be more than \$400.00, Nick & Dee 2nd the motion & the motion passed.

Business After 5 was being hosted on November 20th by The Three Sons.

The Pancake feed for Winter Games was brought up because The Milford Commercial Club helps with that, we will get the details and put it on the December Agenda to get volunteers.

Adjourn: Corey Langner made the motion, Chris Hinshaw seconded.