



**Smithville Area Chamber of Commerce  
Membership Meeting  
February 10, 2010**

**CALL TO ORDER:** The Smithville Area Chamber of Commerce's monthly membership meeting was held at the Good Shepherd Catholic Church with approximately 80 members present. Deborah Muessig called the meeting to order at 12:00 pm. Invocation was given by Pastor Larry Linville. Deborah Muessig led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**MINUTES AND TREASURER'S REPORT:**

- Minutes: Motion to approve by Staley Snook, Jack Woods 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion, motion passed.
- Treasurer's Report: Motion to approve by Cheryl Taylor, Jack Woods 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion, motion passed.

**Program: Smithville School District "No Tax Increase" ballot issue**

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**President's Report:** None

**Executive Director's Report:** Kim Palmer reported.

- Directory is not here yet, thank you to Jim Herald for working with us in editing, in 1-2 weeks it will be ready, delivering to members and available at next meeting
- Window Clings – are on the entry table, same as last year's, pick up one if you need it
- Welcome new members
- Chamber Golf Tournament is scheduled
- Next meeting will be the Mayoral Candidate Forum – Q&A session for the program
- 1<sup>st</sup> Octoberfest Board meeting last night, 3 open positions (Volunteer chair, Logistics with possible sub-chairs, Beer Tent chair)

**City Report:** Bret Bauer reported

- It has been quiet at the city
- Open positions 1) City Administrator, Gerry took a position with Junction City, we are advertising the position now 2) City Clerk, Judy Clough is retiring Feb 26<sup>th</sup>, will be advertising this position soon

**School Report:** George Curry & Wayne Krueger reported (during presentation)

- \$8.7M Bond issue to vote -- School was built 40 years ago, there was a plan for an auditorium from the beginning, looking at building a District Performing Arts Center, current 96cent levy for construction enforced through 2027 will be extended until 2030, no cost to the taxpayer, building this facility 5 yrs ago would have cost \$15M, currently expected to be \$7-8M (about ½ price from 5 years ago), low interest or interest free bonds available from the Federal stimulus, money must be spent on construction. Additional items addressed with this vote are 150 additional parking spaces, additional practice gym, and misc remodeling & kitchen renovations. Making it into a FEMA shelter & getting a grant for this would pay for 75% of the cost, huge savings. Construction over 1 year period. Needs approval of 4/7 majority (57.1%)

**Hospitality Report:** Kelly Busch reported.

- If you notice any new movers please let the chamber office know, lists for Dec & Jan had about 40 homeowner's to visit

**Old Business:**

- None

**New Business:**

- None

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 1:10 pm.