

**Smithville Area Chamber of Commerce
Membership Meeting
July 13, 2005**

CALL TO ORDER: The Smithville Area Chamber of Commerce's monthly membership meeting was held at the Good Shepherd Catholic Church with approximately 74 members present. Becky Sellars called the meeting to order at 12:00 P.M. Father Greg Haskamp gave the invocation. Becky Sellars led the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES AND TREASURER'S REPORT:

- Minutes read and Treasurer's Report read and approved: Motion by Greg Atkins, Frank Luckenbill 2nd motion, motion passed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

City Report: Mike Schrage reported.

- Board of Aldermen meeting to look at Archery Ordinance readoption
- Ward I, W.C. Pence is resigning: he is now living in Ward 2
- Looking at the possibility of public restrooms downtown – it has been a need of the community for a long time now
- TIF commission up and running – meeting next Thurs – Preliminary Presentation
- Liberty Street is getting its final cap today and will be done by afternoon

Fundraising / Octoberfest: Mike Schrage reported.

- Going well – Especially in need of volunteers and golf carts/ATV's to borrow

Executive Director: Susan Cintron reported.

- 2 new members – Total memberships at 223
 - Mary Pope – Aflack Insurance
 - Karen Salisbury – Land Source
- Octoberfest – Cash sponsorships have been great, volunteer sign-up is going around the tables

School Report: Steve Wilcott reported.

- Excellent Summer School attendance
- Next summer school will be hard to improve upon
 - Foundation Formula – brief overview on impact for summer school
 - Key to District's success will be in the continued support from the community
 - More Local
 - Less State
- Construction
 - 22 new classrooms for the Fall Semester
 - Finished ahead of schedule and under budget
- 20 new staff members: Dan Weekly is the new Assistant Superintendent
- Stanford 9 results – overall 1% increase

Hospitality Hostess: Kelly Busch reported.

- Still no packets mailed, only visits have been made
- 29 businesses in the bucket
- June 2005 – 25 visits were made

Chamber University: No report.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

New Business:

- Smithville Community Upcoming Events
 - Hot Summer nights – Friday evenings in August
- Jim Clark – Check the City website for updates – www.smithvillemo.org
 - Aerial photography
 - Yahoo local
- Bill McPherson – gave information on the Mike Massey Event
 - Donations are needed, there will be a kids area with inflatables, there will be a Fire Fighter challenge
 - July 30th – come out to have some family fun for a great cause
- Phil White gave a quick report on the golf tournament
 - 96 Golfers, 37 hole sponsors, raised \$1500 for the Chamber
- Dennis Brewer gave a quick report on the Ultramax Triathlon
 - Sat, August 13th and Sun, September 25th

Old Business:

- None at this time

Program:

- Clay County Savings gave the program on HSA Accounts

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 1:03 P.M.