

Smithville Chamber of Commerce January Board Meeting Date: 1.17.24 Location: Lane Accounting Solutions

The meeting was called to order by Rebecca Pendleton-Meek at 12:19pm.

Attendees were Rebecca Pendleton-Meek, Justin Hough, Erika Winston, Dewayne Knott, Kelley Stumph, Karen Lane. (Virtual- Jeanne Saylor, Anthony Cramer)

Meeting Minutes

The December '23 minutes were presented for approval by Erika Winston. Kelley Stumph moved to approve the minutes. Karen Lane seconded the motion, the motion passed.

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's Report was presented for acceptance by treasurer Karen Lane. Kelley Stumph moved to approve the treasurer's report, Justin Hough seconded it. The motion passed.

EDC – Erika Winston

EDC Meeting- No meeting in December.

New Members -

Winscott Works Baptist Home of Smithville Big Toy Graphics GFL Environment INC Smithville Bible Church High Tide Properties (referred by Show-Me Real Estate) Super 8 (under new ownership)

Events Coming Up:

Multi-Chamber Coffee: 2/6/24 8a-930a Rise 'n' Shine: 2/7/24- Hosted by Agent Jo & Associates Ribbon Cutting for McBee's has been postponed, rescheduled for TBD. BBQ Bash: application/permit for Sept has been turned in to the city, awaiting approval. Community Awards Banquet: 2/29/24; plans for securing dishes and chamber board attendance were discussed. Update on nominations and votes were given. Some tables and tickets are still available. <u>MISC:</u> Chamber Building Lawn Care/Maintenance: Beshears Tree & Lawn- not renewed to as Chamber

Chamber Building Lawn Care/Maintenance: Beshears Tree & Lawn- not renewed to as Chamber members. Also, they would be increasing their service rate.

New lawn care inquiries were sent out using the 'out for bid' process, for the Chamber building lot provided. Wolfe Lawn & Landscape (chamber member) was the only company to reply. Estimated \$40/ treatment. (up from \$35/treatment with Besheers). Decision to be made soon, before Spring.

Executive Director Report – Erika Winston

Main Street Update: Sent 2024 soft dates for city wide garage sale, whiskey event, etc. City of Smithville: First business visit w/ Packs. Packs feels valued & supported by City and Chamber

Old Business

Workers' compensation insurance was sent out for bids by Erika Winston. Contacted insurance companies could not provide different or better coverage than the current insurance company (Cowell James Forge Insurance Group).

Dewayne Knott inquired about whether or not the chamber board members should be bonded... Board members discussed and agreed that it should be looked into as a common practice for all boards, board members.

New Business

Anthony Cramer was sworn in (due to previous absence)

Meeting Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 12:50pm.