



**Smithville Chamber of Commerce
Membership Meeting Minutes
February 8th, 2023
Smithville American Legion Post 58
Sponsored by City of Smithville**

Meeting called to order by Becky Pendleton-Meek at 11:58am.
The invocation given by David Cooper was followed with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Meeting Minutes

The January 2023 minutes were presented for approval. Cheryl Taylor moved that the minutes be approved as presented, Harley Morlock seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Treasurer's Report

The January 2023 treasurer's report was presented for approval by Treasurer Karen Lane. Paul Dexter moved that the treasurer's report be approved as presented, Scott Pearson seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Member Introductions

Chamber members introduced themselves and the business or organization they represent. All guests in attendance were also introduced and welcomed.

Program: City of Smithville

- Cynthia Wagner introduced Destiny Marsh and Dr. Simon from the Smithville School District Business Department. Destiny Marsh introduced select students who are helping to succeed in the real-world experience of business. They introduced themselves and spoke about what they are doing to help in the success for this program. They spoke about the start of the Tribe Store, projects, and events they will be doing. The students spoke about the Grind Coffee Shop, FBLA, Computer programming, Graphic Design, and Supervised Business Employment.

REPORTS:

Executive Director Report – Erika Winston

- New Members this month are Plattsburg License Office, Steve Tinnen, and Benefit Solutions.
- The Crawfish Boil will be held on February 21st at 5:00pm.
- The Awards Banquet will be on February 23rd at 5:30pm.
- Erika spoke about the new Rise and Shine Coffee. This will be held at the Chamber office on March 1st at 7:30-9:00am. Erika thanked Citizens Bank and Trust as well as Mayor Boley for sponsoring this event.
- The Easter Egg Hunt will be held on April 8th. We have increased the number of eggs to 8,000. Smithville Family Worship Center will be helping to fill the eggs. Erika asked our members for candy donations as well as kid friendly items with business logos to put inside the eggs.

City of Smithville Report – Cynthia Wagner

- Spoke about the upcoming Awards Banquet and partnership.
- She spoke about the upcoming Parks and Recs programs.
- Touched base about the taxes on the upcoming ballot concerning the recreational marijuana sales.
- She spoke about working with Clay County on information gathering using Replica and what that helps us to understand with economic development.
- FLUSHABLE WIPES ARE NOT FLUSHABLE!!!!

Smithville Public Schools Report – Andrea Ambrosion

- Andrea spoke about the Action Teams being put together for Strategic Planning.
- She spoke about receiving the school district MAPS scores and how well they did.
- She spoke about the high school play and the great job that was done by all students involved.

Old Business:

There is none currently.

New Business:

There is none currently.

Special Drawings:

There was no drawing.

Special Announcements

Special announcements were made by Chamber members advertising future events and activities in the Smithville community.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:56pm