



**Smithville Chamber of Commerce  
Membership Meeting Minutes  
March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2023  
Smithville American Legion Post 58  
Sponsored by Platte-Clay Electric Cooperative**

Meeting called to order by Becky Pendleton-Meek at 11:58am.

The invocation given by Darrell Jones was followed with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**President Rebecca Pendleton-Meek**

- Becky spoke about no longer conducting the luncheons as a business meeting.
- She spoke about the upcoming elections and political campaigning at the luncheon.
- Becky spoke about community events and how they are shared.
- She spoke about the events we did in February.
- Becky spoke about the upcoming Lakefest and how they are looking for volunteers.

**Member Introductions**

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

**Program: Platte-Clay Electric Cooperative**

Jim Cox introduced himself and who Platte Clay Electric is. He did a safety demonstration on the dangers of electricity, bringing awareness of how it can cause harm to you and your family.

**REPORTS:**

**Executive Director Report – Erika Winston**

- Erika spoke about the new directory and the new website.
- She spoke about the Fat Tuesday event. It will be held next year on February 13<sup>th</sup>.
- The Awards Banquet was a huge success. We had almost 300 people show up and raised some great money for the Legacy Fund. The next one will be held February 29<sup>th</sup>, 2024, and tables are already being reserved. See Erika if you would like to reserve yours.
- Erika spoke about the Easter Egg Hunt coming up and what we have done for it.
- The Rise & Shine Coffee was a great success and the next one will be April 5<sup>th</sup>.

**City of Smithville Report – Cynthia Wagner**

- Cynthia thanked the board, and everyone involved for putting on such a wonderful Awards Banquet.
- She spoke about the upcoming city improvements, projects, and construction.
- Cynthia informed everyone about the new drone the Smithville Police Department has and how you can find out more information on the use of this drone.
- The E Waste & Shredding event will be held at Smithville High School on April 18<sup>th</sup> from 9:00am-12:00pm.
- Bulky Trash pick up will be May 1<sup>st</sup> this will follow the City-Wide Garage Sale.

### **Smithville Public Schools Report – Denise Harwood**

- Spoke about Winter Sports wrapping up and the starting of Spring Sports.
- The Smithville Dazzlers made it to Nationals and took 15<sup>th</sup> overall.
- She spoke about Smithville testing and that we are ranked 3<sup>rd</sup> in the KC Metro.
- Denise spoke about 3 seats opening on the Smithville School District Board.

### **Old Business:**

There is none currently.

### **New Business:**

There is none currently.

### **Special Drawings:**

There was a drawing for a Platte-Clay Electric mug and gift card. Kelly Boley was drawn.

### **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 1:06pm