

Smithville Chamber of Commerce Membership Meeting Minutes

Date: February 14, 2018

Smithville United Methodist Church Sponsor: Picture Perfect Lawn Care

President Scott Pearson called the meeting to order at 11:55 am.

The Invocation was given by Pastor David Everly of the Smithville First Baptist Church followed by the pledge.

#### **Meeting Minutes**

Due to the absence of Rick Gath, former chamber secretary, at the January meeting the minutes from the December meeting were not available and approval was tabled until the February meeting. The December 2017 were presented for approval with Holly Coleman making the motion to approve the minutes as presented and Dan Hartman seconding the motion. There was no discussion and motion passed with a membership vote. The January 2018 minutes were then presented for approval with Holly Coleman making the motion to approve the minutes as presented and again Dan Hartman seconding the motion. There was no discussion and motion passed with a membership vote.

#### **Treasurer's Report**

The December 2017 Treasurer's Report was presented for approval with Harley Morlock making the motion to approve the report as presented and Dennis Brewer seconding the motion. There was no discussion and the motion passed with a membership vote. The January 2018 Treasurer's Report was then presented for approval with Shirley Kimsey making the motion to approve the report as presented and Harley Morlock seconding the motion. There was no discussion and motion passed with a membership vote.

#### **Member Introductions**

Chamber members introduced themselves, the business they are here on behalf of, and any guests that may be with them.

## Member of the Month: Full Features Nursery



www.fullfeatures.com

• Jackie Fuller informed the members that the nursery is open and ready now. She presented a 6 step Do it yourself Lawn Care Program that they offer and also noted that they offer all types of landscaping, but don't wait get it scheduled now, don't wait!

Next Month's Member of the Month: Pastor David Everly with First Baptist Church

#### **REPORTS:**

## **Executive Directors Report**

Carol Noecker presented on the following:

#### **Community Job Fair:**

To be held at the H.S. on 4/30/18. Save the date. More info coming soon

#### **New Members:**

The Farmer's House in Weston Angela Gillans – Edward Jones

## **Ribbon Cutting:**

<u>Hildebrand Dental</u> will be having a ribbon cutting on 2/28/18 at 12:45 to celebrate their new addition. Address: 110 Hospital Dr, Smithville, MO 64089

## **Chamber Directory:**

Directories are available on tables or at the office along with new window clings.

#### **Chamber Community Awards Banquet:**

Information on the tables and also has been mailed out that includes sponsorship opportunities and nomination forms. This is also available on the Chamber website.

#### **City Report**



# www.smithvillemo.org

Micah Joseph presented on the following:

- EDC working with community to bring new events to the city.
- Community Investment Reimbursement Program to assist organizations hosting events.
  Guidelines on website. Can apply online or contact Micah at <a href="mailto:mjoseph@smithvillemo.org">mjoseph@smithvillemo.org</a> or Lia Jennings at <a href="mailto:tourism@smithvillechamber.org">tourism@smithvillechamber.org</a> Having a meeting on 2/15 at 6:00 pm at 3 Links to discuss this and other community events for the year.
- Matt Denton the Parks and Programming Engineer is looking for sponsors for the spring sports events and movie in the park.

Chamber President Scott Pearson passed on some additional information from a call he received from Mayor Brian Fullmer:

Jack Hendrix wasn't available today due to his father-in-law passing so please keep him and his family in our prayers. Also, with the recent water main break there were lots of negative comments posted on social media about the city and what they were doing to remedy the situation. The Mayor is just asking everyone to please contact the city to get all the facts before putting incorrect information on social media.

#### **School Report**



#### smithvilleschooldistrict.net

New principal for Eagle Heights Elementary, Holly Schrage presented the following:

• The School district is busy hiring and will add an additional 20 new people.

- Maple Elementary will be getting a new HVAC, flooring, paint, and secure entrance for next year. These renovations start 5/23/2018
- Summer school will be held at Horizon Elementary and will being on June 4, 2018
- The ribbon cutting for Eagle Heights will be the day before the first day of school in September.
  More details to come. Some highlights for the new school include flexible rooms with garage doors, moving walls and floor to ceiling windows.
- Upcoming events include spring break March 19-23<sup>rd</sup> and Spring sports including baseball, track, golf, and girls soccer start March 26th.

#### **Old Business**

- There was no old business to discuss.
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#### New Business

 Scott introduced Starla Janes as the new Chamber secretary and Pam Davis as the new member at large after a vote was held for the new member at large opening at the 2/14/18 meeting.

#### **Program: Picture Perfect Lawn Care**



## https://pplcservice.com/

Brad with Picture Perfect introduced their guest speaker Melissa Johnson. Melissa is a client of Picture Perfect who presented a slideshow on a renovation project of their 8.4 acres. Melissa is also a master gardener and has a blog called FANCYFLOWERFARMER.COM and on Instagram look for FANCY FARMER. Picture perfect handles all of her plant maintenance for her.

- Their project started in March of 2014 with Brad.
- One acre completely manicured
- Tips for anyone wanting to improve their landscaping:

Hire Picture Perfect ☺

Take before and after pictures

Visit Lowe's manager rack for good deals on plants and shrubs

Experiment with seed

Become a Master Gardener

Pay attention to the light, soil, and water requirements listed on all plants, shrubs and trees Prep beds properly

Prune trees regulary

Use resources like Houzz, Instagram, Master Gardeners, and University of MO for ideas and tips

Brad Thanked Above and Beyond Catering for preparing and serving the meal for them today.

# **Special Drawings**

\*Prizes were awarded to various attendees through a random drawing which included \$16.00 in the cash drawing and the centerpieces of a box of fudge from Nellies Sweet Shoppe and a small Valentine plant.

# **Special Announcements**

Special announcements were made by the Chamber members advertising various events and activities happening in the Smithville community in the upcoming weeks.

There being no further business, the Meeting was adjourned at 12:50 pm