



- ATTENDING:** Larry Bottoms of Nationwide Insurance and Orwell Village, Ed Sutliff of Western Reserve Drafting, Gary and Pat Hunter of Conversation Station, Nancy Reider of McGillacuddy's Paddock, Kevin Mitchell and Marlin Moschell of Middlefield Bank, Shirley Ulman of J & S Heating, Vicki Intihar of Huntington Bank, Andrew Davis of Grand Valley Public Library, Bill Nye of Grand Valley Schools, Gwen Biennas of Gwen's Catering, and Carole Stormer-Vaux of Remax. Absent was President Diane Giel of Key Bank.
- MEETING OPENED:** Vice President Larry Bottoms opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by a prayer led by Gary Hunter.
- MEETING MINUTES:** Larry Bottoms asked for motion to accept the minutes from 11-1--11. Nancy Reider motioned; Pat Hunter seconded; passed.
- TREASURES REPORT:** Larry Bottoms asked for motion to accept the treasurer's report. Gary Hunter motioned; Shirley Ulman seconded; passed.
- COMMITTEE REPORTS:** CITIZEN OF THE YEAR – Rosemary Jones is serving as committee chair. Date is March 24, 2011.
- WEBSITE -- Shirley Ulman reported the website is up and running. www.orwellgv-chamber.com Members can access this at their leisure. Once dues for 2012 have been paid to Kevin Mitchell; your information will be added to the website.
- COUNTY CHAMBERS – the mall in Ashtabula has new management. It is now bank owned. The home show will continue. It is scheduled for March 2-4. Often door prizes are solicited. Grand Valley joins with the other county chambers to sponsor this event. Profits from income are divided by chamber attendance to the meetings and event planning. This includes assistance in taping the floor area for booth space, assistance in guiding vendors to their booth spaces, actually "serving in the chamber booth" (where you are allowed to promote your own business), and clean-up times. We get a point for each function in which we participate and monies are divided accordingly. Gary Hunter is the chamber representative and Shirley Ulman is the alternate. Contact either for info.
- CHAMBER CHRISTIMAS -- at the Old Brick. Contact Larry Bottoms – chairperson. Cost is \$10.00 per person. Music provided by SPIRIT BOUND. Social time 4:30 pm; Dinner – 5:30 pm; end by 7:00 pm.

OLD BUSINESS: CHANGE OF MEETING DAY – The change of meeting day to the second Friday of each month became a conflict for some members. Gary Hunter amended the original motion to be the third Friday of each month at 7:30 am.; Shirley Ulman seconded; passed.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR 2012 -- NOMINATING COMMITTEE – Gary Hunter, chair reported. Nominations for chamber offices are as follows: President -- _____; First VP – Nancy Reider; Second VP – Gwen Biennas; Treasurer – Kevin Mitchell; Secretary – Gary Hunter. Given that no president is elected – Nancy Reider (if elected) will serve as Acting President for 2012 until such time a person comes forward or other needs arise.

Gary Hunter motioned that the slate of officers be unanimously accepted as 2012 officers; Nancy Reider seconded; passed.

NEW BUSINESS: No new business at the close of the year.

NEW MEMBERS: One (1) businesses joined the chamber this month.
Carole Stormer-Vaux of Remax Realty – Jefferson is our newest member. Welcome Carole!

NEXT MEETING: January 20, 2012 at 7:30 am at Orwell Village Office Complex, 179 W. Main. Orwell, Ohio.

MEETING ADJOURNED: By Larry Bottoms.

Respectfully submitted by Ed Sutliff, Secretary:

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