



ATTENDING: Diane Giel of Key Bank, 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 of Middlefield Bank, Shirley Ulman of J & S Heating, and Vicki Intihar of Huntington Bank. Also attending was a guest, Carole Stormer Vaux of Remax Realty of Jefferson.

MEETING OPENED: President Diane Giel opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by a prayer led by Gary Hunter.

MEETING MINUTES: Diane Giel asked for motion to accept the minutes from 10-4-11. Nancy Reider motioned; Pat Hunter seconded; passed.

TREASURES REPORT: Diane Giel asked for motion to accept the treasurer's report. Larry Bottoms motioned; Nancy Reider seconded; passed. Combined total of all accounts \$16,507.61.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: CITIZEN OF THE YEAR – Rosemary Jones is serving as committee chair. Tentative dates are March 24 or March 31, 2011.

FESTIVAL – Diane Giel reporting – Kevin Mitchell calculated the cash receipts. One (1) remaining bill is pending collection. This is being addressed by the Festival Committee. Peggy Bottoms reported 82 ads were secured. Six (6) were new. This boosted our sales to \$4595 (up from \$4385 in 2010). Income - \$6727.50 --- Expenses - \$6538.43 --- Profit - \$189.07

WEBSITE -- Shirley Ulman reported the web designer requests a "welcoming statement". Shirley will prepare this.

JOURNEY THROUGH GRAND VALLEY – Kevin Mitchell reported – the Journey was much better attended than in previous years. Twenty-seven (27) displays by vendors and safety (police, fire, ambulance) services were present. The secretary will send a thank you to Middlefield Bank for underwriting the costs of the hall rental and the advertising.

Chamber Christmas -- at the Old Brick. Larry Bottoms – chairperson. Larry reported cost may be \$12.00. He will solicit costs from caterers serving a traditional dinner banquet. Gary Hunter is arranging music. Social time 4:30 pm; Dinner – 5:30 pm; end by 7:00 pm so members can attend other engagements.

OLD BUSINESS: 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. Diane has chosen to step down. Anyone interested in serving as an officer is urged to contact Gary at 474-7102.

NEW BUSINESS: Election of officers for 2012 has been tabled until the December meeting.

Change of meeting day – Changing the meeting day to the second Friday of each month will be necessary to accommodate schedules of some incoming officers (if elected). With the tabling of the election the change of day has been tabled until the December meeting.

NEW MEMBERS: Two (2) businesses joined the chamber this month. They both had tables at the Journey Through Grand Valley. They are ...

Joe Gallo of Gallo Auto Sales, 8817 St Rt 45, Bloomfield (440) 685-4611
Larry VanHorn of Save A Lot, 23 S. Maple, Orwell, (440) 437-2230

NEXT MEETING: December 6, 2011 at 7:30 am at Orwell Village Office Complex, 179 W. Main. Orwell, Ohio.

MEETING ADJOURNED: By Diane Giel.

Respectfully submitted by Ed Sutliff, Secretary:

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