

GREATER FENNVILLE AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
MEETING MINUTES: February 25, 2007
Fennville City Hall, 7 p.m.

Board Members Present: Jim Lytle, Bill Busscher, Sandi Busscher, Tom Tucker, Martha Wickett-Schrock.

Meeting called to order at 6:57 p.m. by President, Jim Lytle

Pledge of Allegiance recited by all in attendance

- Approval of Minutes from last meeting: Motion made by Bill Busscher, 2nd Tom Tucker, approved by all.
- Modifications to agenda: -
- 4. Public Comments ** -

- **Financial report** – Martha Schrock handed out written financial reports to those present. General Fund \$6,926.93 /Concert Fund \$2,082.40 / Scholarship Fund \$869.60. At board approval, Martha will be meeting with an accountant to go over the Chambers account, program set-up and clarify legalities.

- **Easter Egg Hunt:** Jim Lytle reported that this event will take place at Fennville Elementary School on Sat., March 22.

- **Goose Festival:** Jim Lytle reported that a meeting is scheduled for February 26, 2008 and that volunteers are needed in order to have this festival.

- **Officer Dues:** Motion made by Martha Schrock, 2nd by Sandi Busscher and approved by all to waive dues for the Chamber President. This will be added to the Chamber By-laws.

- **Membership:** Martha Schrock reported 69 members including new member, Rick Vojvodick who joined this evening and attended the meeting. A reminder letter will be sent to past members who have not sent their renewals in to date.

- **Newsletter:** Jim Lytle reported that he will be handling this quarterly.

- **Website:** Jim Lytle reported that Al LaShell is also webmaster for Fennville City and Fennville DDA and that all of our sites are linked together.

- **Scholarship:** Martha Schrock reported that she has received pertinent information from Fennville High School counselors and will be taking care of this again. Donations are down with balance of \$869.60 and \$1000 is needed to give out 2 -\$500 scholarships as past year. Board gave approval to use general fund monies if necessary to meet low goal of \$1,000.

- **Entertainment/Events:** Sandi Busscher will begin to plan annual Chamber Open House to be held in April.

- **Concerts:** Martha Schrock reported that all five concerts are booked and that she has note cards with information available and will place them at journeyman café on Friday nights at their music night.
 - **NEW COMMITTEE:** The board has decided to condense/combine Public Relations/Communications/Website into one committee to be chaired by a board member. This new committee is named...**Communications Committee** and Jim Lytle has agreed to chair. Boardmembers Sandi Busscher and Martha Schrock have agreed to serve on this committee. Theresa Wiley, a former member of the Web site committee will be invited to join this new committee.
 - **Goals for 2008:** President Jim Lytle requested that board members think of ways/ goals to set to help improve the Greater Fennville Area Chamber of Commerce. Martha Schrock suggested that committee chairs be responsible to keep website updated with their committees events and information. Sandi Busscher suggested that a summer banquet/business meeting be held in addition to our annual Winter Banquet to keep members updated and networking together.
 - Public Comments ** -
 - Next Meeting: March 24, 2008 Fennville City Hall, 7 p.m.
- . Motion to Adjourn made at 8:24 p.m. by Tom Tucker, 2nd Sandi Busscher and approved by all.

**Public comments are limited to 2 minutes. The chairman may extend the time at his sole discretion without regard to race, religion or previous condition of servitude.