

Amboy Area Chamber of Commerce
Minutes for June 12, 2012

The meeting was called to order at 12:00 p.m. at the Depot Tap by saying the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Ginger Daniels, Colin Baker, Dave Erbes, Nancy Herrald, Amanda Walter, and Lisa Quest.

Secretary Report: The secretary's report was given. Ms. Amanda Walter made a motion to accept the secretary's report; Ms. Nancy Herrald second.

Treasurer Report: The treasurer's report was given by Ms. Ginger Daniels. Mr. Dave Erbes made a motion to accept the secretary's report; Ms. Nancy Herrald second.

Committee Reports

July 4th: On July 4th, Amboy will have fireworks. Depot Days t-shirts and tickets will be sold. There will be a band from 7:00-9:00 with Ms. Eileen Quest following with the National Anthem and singing patriotic songs. A form letter was sent asking for donations for the fireworks. Ms. Nancy Herrald made a motion to donate matching funds from the prior year of \$250.00 to the fireworks. Mr. Dave Erbes second; motion carried.

Farmer's Market: The market is open on Tuesdays. Carol Biester is wondering if we will be putting up signs. This will get done soon. An ad will be run in the paper for the farmer's market along with vendors needed/all vendors welcome.

Christmas Walk: The committee has been meeting monthly. The walk will be Sunday, November 25 from 1:00-3:00 with the Chili cook-off and reindeer games beginning at 1:00.

Halloween: Mr. Dave Erbes reported that the chamber will be lending a helping hand with the festivities including a pumpkin' chuckin' contest. Ms. Amanda Walter suggested having a pumpkin carving contest. Several years ago, there was one at the nursing home. This is something to look into.

Old Business:

See'em at the Museum: Ms. Walter shared what information she had gathered on hosting this event. Ms. Nancy Herrald made a motion to budget \$1,000.00 for the purchase of 4 movie rights through Swank Motion Picture Inc. Ms. Amanda Walter second; motion carried. A motion for a budget of \$500 to be spent on set up costs and concessions was made by Ms. Amanda Walter. Mr. Dave Erbes second; motion carried. The proceeds will go for reimbursement and then towards the Christmas Walk. The movies will run every other weekend on Saturday evenings: June 30, July 14, July 28, and August 11th. There will be a rain date of August 18th. An email will be sent to the board for discussion on what movies to choose. ET was suggested since it's celebrating its anniversary.

New Business:

Shop Local Campaign-Surveys: Mr. Colin Baker will contact the board via email on this matter.

Lee County 1% Sales Tax: There was open discussion on this matter including how it would affect sales based businesses verses service based businesses and that Lee County would be the third highest taxed area if this passes. As of now, this is something to think on and discuss further at future meetings. The chamber currently has no official stance on this matter.

Adjournment:

Mr. Erbes made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 12:43 p.m. Ms. Herrald second, motion carried.