

Members Present: Marcia Krieser, Staci Williams, Paul Backhaus, Jeremy Vanderloop, and Chris Neu.

Members Absent: Britta Braden (proxy given), Sarah Mireski proxy), Kristine Schroeder (proxy) Brenda Bruyette and Carly Kastein

Others Present: Patti Kriewald (chamber staff) and Linda Turk (chamber staff).

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by past president Staci Williams at 7:00AM.

Secretary Report: A motion to accept the July 2009 Secretary's report was made by Paul and seconded by Chris. Motion carried.

Treasurer Report: A motion to accept the July 2009 Treasurer's report was made by Marcia and seconded by Chris. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

Golf Outing Update

The weather cooperated with only rain to start and end the golfing portion of the day. Despite the decrease in the number of tee and hole sponsorships the event did well. We have a discrepancy with the billing we received from the Golf Club. We were billed for more carts than our records show that we should have been billed. We were also billed for an extra 10 people for the outside catering fee at the golf club. The board discussed that the cart discrepancy could easily come from the people who purchase a cart punch card or an annual cart pass who do not realize that the golf club does not accept these passes for golf outings. The board agreed that the bill from the Mayville Golf Club for the golf outing should be paid as submitted.

NEW BUSINESS

Audubon Wine Concessions

The group that was thinking about manning the Wine concession area has chosen a different event. We will now need to have assistants for Ryan in the wine concession area. Marcia said she could be in the wine concession area on Saturday from 12:00 noon until 5:00PM and that she will find someone to assist her. Staci said she could be in the wine concession area on Sunday from 1:00PM – 5:00PM and that she will find someone to assist her. These people would help Ryan serve the wine. Ryan is also thinking about offering sample shots. This is where a person could purchase a sample shot of each wine before making their selection.

American Express card

The chamber was approached by American Express to subscribe to a card with no fee. After looking into this further, chamber staff realized there is no fee for the first year but that annual fees would range from \$125 - \$475 each year after the first. Linda often

purchases items on line, or at stores and uses her personal account for these purchases and then in reimbursed from the Chamber. Marcia suggested that the Chamber get a check card for the chamber checking account. Jeremy suggested that the same should be done with the Audubon checking account as long as the cards do not come with a cost to the Chamber.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Programs

Network Night

The next Network Night will be held on Wednesday, September 9th at Agnesian HealthCare Mayville Clinic from 5:30 – 7:30PM. Sarah is the board liaison for the event. The clinic has sent out an additional 1500 invitations and is putting a lot of work into the event. Sarah will have a table in support of the Mayville Chamber at the clinic. All board members are encouraged to attend. Chamber staff is to check with Sally to have her attend the Network Night.

Retail

Audubon Days

The Audubon Steering Committee is hard at work planning the 2009 Audubon Days Festival. Most of the committees have been filled. A copy of the Audubon Brochure was given to the board members present. DCERT has been contacted about handling the parking for the weekend. It was suggested that we have a sand treasure hunt for toddlers. Although all agreed it is a good idea, there is not enough time to plan for this year. On Friday night, the committee is planning on holding a youth dance in the upstairs of the pavilion from 7:00PM – 9:30PM. They are also planning on holding a teen club in the downstairs of the pavilion. Jeremy is contacting DECA to see if they would be interested in planning the event. The next committee meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, August 25th at 6:00 PM at the Audubon Inn. The layout of the park and the kick off of duck ticket sales will begin at this meeting.

OTHER BUSINESS

GM Franchise Support Letter

Andrew Johnson approached the chamber and asked if we could write a letter in support of a General Motors franchise in Mayville. Andrew will be writing a letter on behalf of the Economic Development Committee and Mayor Heron will be writing a letter on behalf of the city. Chamber staff has been working with Sarah and Staci on a letter and the letter was passed around for the chamber board members to sign. Chamber staff will get the letter to Andrew. Upon preparing the letter it was determined that a GM franchise has been in Mayville since 1921.

Next Board Meeting

The next board meeting will be Thursday, Sept. 10th at 7:00 AM at the Chamber Office.

Adjournment:

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Paul and seconded by Jeremy at 7:31 AM. Motion carried