

**April 3, 2019 – Chamber Meeting  
J Leonard Gallery**

In attendance were Aaron King, Joe Leonard, Gary Miller, Kim Curry, Erin Corley, Laura Esposito, Sara Hill, Mary Lu Rosier, Sean Varner, Jerry Kehoe, Shelli Buchanan, Ken Beatty, Helen Louise Bouts, Rick Patrick, Dale Soinski, Cheryl Tieche, Derek Podboy, Gary Lawless, Ben Coll, Michelle Zivoder, Ted Lysiak and Roger Angel via phone.

Meeting was called to order at 7:36 by Ted Lysiak.

Introductions were made.

Meeting minutes from March were distributed, reviewed and approved.

Roger gave an overview of the financial statements which were distributed, reviewed and approved. Adjustments were made for the end of the year after the accountant review was complete. Membership monies are still coming in.

Update on St. Patrick's Day - Aaron reported on the weekend festivities. Despite the weather the petting zoo and wagon rides were successful; need to look at different face painting options as the line was extremely long and many kids did not get to get their face painted. Sean reported that his numbers were close to 2018.

Car cruise sponsorships are still needed. Please get info / payment in by April 15 to be included on the advertising.

Village news – paving will be done on Zupancic this spring. Looking at some equipment replacements including a new street truck and a street sweeper.

Garage Sale weekend registration is open. People are registering on-line as well as in person.

Discover Garrettsville promo begins in May – please let us know if you plan to participate.

Summerfest update – new will be a PTO Craft show in the UH Parking lot on Saturday from 10 – 4. Sponsor packets and vendor contracts are going out. Garrettsville Idol tryouts will be held on April 14.

Lions Club will be hosting an Adult Easter Egg Hunt on April 12 at Silver Cellar Winery.

Scholarship committee update provided by Ben.

Looking for a committee to help make Small Business Saturday grow.

Thank you to Joe Leonard for hosting the meeting.

Sara Hill gave an update on the Farmers' Market for 2019.

Update give on the NGCC new location.

Ted provided an update on the Night at the Races fundraiser. Thank you to all who supported the event which looks to have raised close to \$10,000

The spring musical Cinderella opens on Thursday evening. Tickets available online or at the door.

Spartan Race is coming to Southington Hunt Club on June 8&9. This will attract a large number of racers which will start to arrive at 6 am and the race runs all weekend.

### Special Event Dates

Community Garage Sale – May 17 – 19

Car Cruises –

Main Street May 25/26

Garfield Plaza June 29

Main Street July 27 / 28

Peach Social Aug 10 / 11

Sky Plaza Sept 7

Chamber Cookout -- TBD

Discover Garrettsville – May 1 – Aug 31

Christmas on Main – Nov 1 – Dec 15

Clock tower Lighting – Nov 30

Small Business Saturday – Nov 30

Meeting was adjourned at 8:01 am. Next meeting will be held May 1 at McDonalds .

Chamber Board Meeting - 8:15 am

Present were Ben Coll, Ted Lysiak, Rick Patrick, Michelle Zivoder, Jerry Kehoe and Roger Angel via phone

- Adjustments to be made to how financial statements are grouped on the balance sheet– approved by board.
- Funds to be moved to a higher interest rate savings account ~ Roger given approval by board to make the adjustments
- Chamber will pay \$200 / month for 1 year to YMCA for the NGCC rent. This is reduced from the \$300/month. Will re-evaluate in one year to see if there is still need.
- Chamber telephone currently located at Hallie Higgins' home is to be moved to Villager office.
- Review expenses versus income for special events – ie. St Patrick's Day to ensure that budgets are maintained.
- Scholarship fundraiser needed to replace the business showcase – look at meat smoker idea.
- Ted to send letter to Grafton chamber re: their downtown fire downtown.
- Roger to talk to new owners of DQ about their involvement in chamber / community.