

August 7, 2019 – Chamber Meeting Two Travelers

In attendance were Ben Coll, Michelle Zivoder, Eric Shafer, Laura Esposito, Gary Lawless, Jerry Kehoe , Darlene Kearney, Mark Brady, Lee Martinek, Shelli Buchanan, Trish Danku, Erin Corley, Jeff Rinearson, Helen Lousie Bouts, Ken Beatty, Monica & Gary Miller, Roger & Connie Angel, Rick Patrick, Wayne Fitzgerald, Harold Clark, Alex Roth, Tim & Andrea Schwan, .

Meeting was called to order at 7:35 am by Ted Lysiak and introductions were made.

June minutes were reviewed and approved.

Financials were reviewed; key items talked about were monies that we received for the scholarship fund, People Tree and NGCC that came in during the chamber membership drive. Checks were written to People Tree and NGCC. A \$1,500 NOPEC grant was received for car cruise night. Disbursement of scholarship monies is underway.

Rick reminded all that help is needed for the Peach Social – please consider purchasing peach pies, peeling peaches or helping with the social at the fire department. There were approximately 165 cars in attendance at the July Main Street Car Cruise. The final cruise will be in September at Sky Plaza. Door prizes are always needed – please consider donating – you can give to Caitlin Lawless or Rick Patrick.

The G-Men Golf Outing raised over \$9,000 for the football team. There were 40 hole sponsors and 26 teams that participated.

Summerfest bus trips will be Nautica Queen & Jack Casino in July; Presque Isle and Ferrante Winery in September – the cost is \$90 per person and includes dinner, wine tasting and a \$20 casino comp.

Garrettsville Farmers' Market is doing a food and school supply drop off. There are 3 markets left for the summer season ~ there will be a fall market – dates to be announced.

JAG School Update:

There are 6 new teachers for the 2019-20 school year.

Kudos to Ben Coll on the yearbook and his work with the yearbook group.

Aug 22 in meet the teacher night

Aug 30 will be first varsity football game – away against Middlefield

Chamber cookout will be in September at the Lysiak's – date and time to be announced.

Thank you to Sean & Sondra for hosting the meeting. They are celebrating the one year anniversary of Two Travelers and are looking at expanding the patio area.

Tim & Andrea Schwan spoke about their videography company Barefoot Films. They do wedding and commercial work and are new chamber members.

Rick spoke about a potential movie being filmed in Garrettsville – more info to come. Taco Bell is still in the works ~ they are working with the engineers regarding drainage. Dollar General did their ribbon cutting last Saturday, Rick and Ted were in attendance.

Harold Clark gave an update on the Eagles Club. They are hosting a golf outing and steak fry at Sugarbush on 9/7. Proceeds benefit the Diabetes Association. Cost is \$75 per person or enjoy the steak fry for \$20; Hole sponsors are \$50.

On Sept 29 the Dawg Walk will be held – this is the Garfield Soccer Team fundraiser. Ticket price includes lunch, shirts and fun!!

Special Event Dates

Car Cruises –

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 8:10 am. Next meeting will be held September 4 at Nelson Ledges Race Track .

Board Meeting – 8:20 am

In attendance were Roger Angel, Gary Miller, Jerry Kehoe, Michelle Zivoder, Ben Coll and Ted Lysiak

- 1) Donation to GPD to help with installation of wireless security cameras on the Boardwalk & Main Street. Currently the cost of this project would be \$5,000 – looking to split with village \$2500 each. This would be for wireless cameras that are monitored by GPD which would provide extra security to backs of businesses / boardwalk and also Main Street. Ted met with Keith and reviewed the areas that are being looked at. After discussion Ben will talk to Keith Whan to see what the cost would be if 2 additional cameras were added - 1 each to cover the community parking lots. Ben to have new number for Sept meeting so we can take to chamber for vote.
- 2) Need a plan to fund chamber scholarships. Looking at raising minimum of \$3,000 annually. Possibly a golf outing the 1st Saturday after school is out – get teachers and JAG staff to attend.
- 3) Group a pancake breakfast with business showcase. Pancake breakfast for farmers market was a success last year and had vendors set up to sell their items in the cafeteria. Look at doing a business showcase in conjunction with a breakfast next year?

Board meeting adjourned at 8:34 am