

HILL CITY AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

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MINUTES FROM SEPTEMBER 16, 2009 MEETING

The Chamber meeting was called to order by President Dave Lange. Those present at the meeting were: Dave Lange, Mark Meyer, Tami Meyer, Janet Hatfield, Tom Fasteland, Bill Becker and Bambi Lange.

The secretary's report was read. Tom Fasteland made a motion to accept the minutes as read, motion seconded by Bill Becker, the motion passed.

We discussed how "Art in the Park" had gone. Some felt maybe the weekend should be changed, possibly to be a week later. (Last year it was last weekend of month and we moved it up because felt it was too late) Other input was have it end earlier (we also had changed ending time this year to be earlier – last year 5pm this year 4:30pm) Possibly changing the name of the event, not have it on the same weekend as the Little Falls craft festival. We did receive good input from vendors that chamber members had talked to, the one that had been there both years said they sold more of their wares this year. Also if the Fly In is going on or any other event in town to post posters at those events to let people attending them know what else was going on.

The Harlem Ambassadors basketball game will be next week. Everything seems to be going well with that event. Right now we have 4 sponsors signed up at \$400 sponsorship, 13 sponsors signed up at \$100 sponsorship, and 2 sponsors at \$50 sponsorship. We have 5 in-kind sponsors (which is equal to \$100 sponsorship) The Harlem Ambassadors will be doing an assembly at school that afternoon for upper elementary & Jr. High students, the theme for this will be "Stay in School – Stay off Drugs".

The membership meeting was discussed; it was about trying to get more businesses involved in our Chamber. Bill Becker made motion – for this following year to change membership fees to the following: \$10 for senior, \$15 for individual, \$25 for non-profit and also businesses, \$50 for businesses that wish to have web link. Motion was second by Tom Fasteland, the motion passed.

Bill Becker reported on Hill Lake Township was looking for donations for putting a flag pole with solar light at the Hill Lake Cemetery. Mark Meyer made motion to donate \$100 toward this cause, Bambi Lange second the motion, the motion passed.

Janet Hatfield gave the treasurer's report. Right now there is \$5,283.81 in the checking acct. After the following bills are paid there will be about \$3,920.38 (of that money

\$1,363.70 is left on the grant money) T & T Designs \$240 for signage(would be from grant money) T & T Designs \$416 for shirt print for Harlem Ambassador event, \$100 to BPA club at school (voted on last spring for button design submitted from them- this is a donation to this club) Hill Lake Cemetery \$100.00 for flag pole & light at cemetery, Dave Lange for \$35 for credit card payment for insurance for Harlem Ambassador event, \$549 to Herald Review for July celebration events(from grant money) Lake Country Power for electricity at the pavilion.

Motion made by Mark Meyer to accept treasurer's report and paying of bills, second by Bill Becker, motion passed.

Tom Fasteland made motion to pay web-site fee for upcoming year for \$215.89, motion second by Bambi Lange, motion passed.

Talked of up-coming events in the area, haunted house that Mark Meyer will be doing on weekends before Halloween, BBQ cook-off hosted by Jim Berkness on Sun. Oct. 12 at Blue Moon.

In December would be Christmas with Santa, possibly do hay ride then or some later date.

No further business to discuss Mark Meyer made motion to adjourn the meeting, second by Tom Fasteland.

Our next meeting will be 3rd Wed. in October on October 21 at 6pm at Woodland Bank meeting room.

Minutes submitted by secretary
Bambi Lange