

# Henderson Chamber of Commerce Meeting

September 26 - BitterSweet - Noon

## **Attendance:**

Megan Turek, Sue Felmlee, Lynnea Bender, Tom Bender, Mary Ann Pilling, Ned Pilling, Jeff Steinborn, James Brenno, Sylvia Reinhardt, Todd Van Epps, Dolores Hagen, Doug Reker, Laura Boelter, Doug Thomas, Rita Lind

## **Guests:**

Chester Aldrich - Henderson Police Dept., Tom Quiram - Hilltop Elementary, Todd Van Epps - Frontier

## **Secretary's Report:**

Minutes were distributed to all members. Motion and carried to accept the secretary's report.

## **Treasurer's Report:**

Savings: \$3520.57, Checking Acct: \$1266.06  
Motion made and carried to approve the treasurer's report.

## **New Business:**

Tom Quiram gave the group an update some of the changes happening at Hilltop. K-5 92 students enrolled. Many new projects in place along with new staff. Chester accepted an award from the "Friends of Education".

Chester reported that the D.A.R.E. will not take place this year due to the combined classes. He will offer other courses instead. One mentioned will be with parents and the concerns of youngsters on the internet.

Todd Van Epps discussed the program offered to the Chamber and its members. For every business that signs an DSL agreement with Frontier they receive a 13% discount and the Chamber receives \$50. Motion made and carried for the chamber to proceed.

Fall Festival - new committee members have things lined up for Oct. 6th. See Poster.

Henderson Feathers - Art and Barb Straub are beginning to contribute a great deal of information to the Henderson Feathers web site. Grand opening is Dec. 8th. Birding hotline is 248-3559.

Lucky 11 - sell your tickets.

Heritage Days - Charlie gave a donation back to the chamber for their help in selling beer during the festival.

Speed limit sign-age - DOT contacted Tom Bender and quoted a price of \$5000 for a hard wired sign or \$8000 for battery. Group decided to approach MNCS for a student to write a grant for this project.

Doug Thomas will fill in as secretary until elections.

A state sesquicentennial committee met about celebrating Minnesota turning 150 years in 2008. Money is available to groups such as ours. This celebration will take place as part of Heritage Days. The time period selected for Heritage Days is 1850's - 1900.

Holiday Showcase plans will begin (Doug T., MaryAnn Buck)

Henderson Visuals will gear up for the Christmas season. Window unveiling Nov. 9, and tree lighting Nov 10. A trivia contest will also be introduced.