April 2017 Chamber Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, April 26th at noon-RoadHaus

*The monthly meeting was called to order by President Becky Pollack.

*Roll call included: Marcia Becker/Hometown Bank, Robyn Geldner/ City Council, Amy Hardel/KMF, Doug Thomas/New Leaf Development, Jeff Steinborn/Evolutions, Loren Edberg/KMF, Tom Bender/ True Value Hardware, Becky Pollack/Ney Center, Jennifer Kolter/Healing Hub, Dee Thomas/Classical Glass, Ned Pilling and Mary Ann Pilling/Legion and 1900 Bldg,. Jane Schuette/ Antiques and Uniques, Cara Bishop/True Real Estate, Teresa Konechne/Independent, Sue Felmlee/IHometown Bank-Insurance, Eileen Brandt/ JR Brown and Sibley Estates

Guests: Bobbi Jo Harder, Amy Newsom & Tim Becker.....Sibley County

Total: 17 members and 3 guests...impressive!

*Secretary's report from March Meeting was approved as presented.

- Treasurer's Report shows \$ 2,120.00 was transferred to the city for Heritage Days control from now on. Their funds will be kept separate.
- Group checking acct. shows \$ 3,172.83.
- Group savings acct. shows \$ 98.79.

BUSINESS DISCUSSED:

- 1 Tim Becker—-Sibley County Public Works spoke about the Flood Mitigation work and the upcoming May 17th meeting. Everyone is urged to attend.
- 1 2017 Guide Book....is almost done....two weeks yet says Jennifer Kolter so mid-May we should all be getting these to start distributing. She is working on this booklet with Megan Turek and Becky Pollack.
- 1 RE-Think Henderson Chamber....group met two weeks ago...asked for direction...will meet again....President Becky will send out meeting date for this luncheon meeting by this Friday, April 28...watch for the email.
- 1 Music on Main....Doug says the grant request was sent in...no word back yet
- 1 Garage Sale Days are Friday, May 5th and Saturday, May 6th....10 signed up so far...see Tom if you want to have a garage sale.
- 3 Classic Car Roll-ins are set to begin every Tuesday thru September starting Tuesday, May 30th. LS Police Reserves will monitor intersections while our cops patrol in the squad cars.
- 1 Chamber Benches.....3 at least are noted by Mary Ann Pilling to need attention...problems will be addressed by the Roll-in Committee.
- 1 Henderson Sauerkraut Days.....June 23-24-25 KICK-OFF is Friday night, May 12th at the RoadHaus starting at 6 p.m.

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- *Tag-line will be announced, T-shirt will be revealed and the Parade Grand Marshall will be announced. Everyone is urged to attend.
- 9. Minnesota Sings.....Shane Boehne is our candidate and he says he is in it to win it...this year! Go Shane.....competition is in September 2017.
- 10. Park Shelter——Update......project is on HOLD as prices came in 2 times as high as the group thought. Maybe in the fall....
- 11. Request from St. Paul's UCC.....they are starting up a food distribution site where 2nd Harvest Foods can give our commodities. A letter asked for financial backing or at least sweat equity...... unclear about this program, it was tabled until more information can be gathered and presented to this group. (someone from this church group will be asked to come and speak....answer questions.
- 12. New display in store fronts next to the post office

Ned Pilling asks us all to take a look....this year marks 100 years since the war was officially says Ned Pilling. Thanks to Ned and Mary Ann, representing the Legion Post #74 for doing this and for maintaining this.

Ned has packets of poppy seeds for members to plant in honor of this 100 anniversary....he will get them to members.

- 13. COUNTY Report was given by Bobbi Jo Harder and Amy Newsom
- ***County Expo this past week was a better attended event than last year.
- ***Leading Sibley is wrapping up.....soon you can start applying to participate next year....think about this.
- ***September 28...there will be a county-wide HOSPITALITY Summit...location is going to be Henderson at the RoadHaus.....we all might want to mark this date and attend as we consider Henderson to be in the hospitality business—in part.
- ***Sibley County has a housing committee led by Sue Keithahn of Gaylord. It is meeting regularly. Doug says he doesn't have enough time to attend....does anyone else have interest in attending? Let Doug know...he will give you the details.
- 14. City Report by Robyn Geldner.....
- ***She stressed coming to the Flood Mitigation Meeting on May 17th.

The time was now 1 p.m. With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Next month's meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 31st starting at noon at Tooty's.