

Johnson Creek Chamber Board Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, Sept. 9th, 2009

The following were in attendance: Rick Kaltenberg, Connie Oestreich, Bonnie Hertel, Chris Bezoenik, Sherry Lange, Dr. Michael Garvey and Mark Johnsrud.

- I. The meeting was called to order at 3:37pm by President, Rick Kaltenberg.
- II. Minutes of the meeting from August were reviewed. With a motion by Sherry Lange, a second by Chris Bezoenik and a vote the minutes were approved with no changes.
- III. Treasurer's report
 - Profit & Loss Jan. – Aug. presented by Connie. Questions on details of the two following items; under income misc. \$630.06 and under expenses for donation \$732.96.
 - The board is looking for a report to review each month that details beginning balance plus income less expense for that month with an ending balance.
 - Current balance at \$2,000.00.
 - Rick wanted in writing from TDS that there would be no penalty if we signed a 2 year contract to lower rates. We currently do not have a contract.

With a motion by Sherry Lange, a second by Chris Bezoenik and a vote the treasurer's report was approved.
- IV. Approve monthly checks
 - Discussion to transfer money from tourism to Chamber account for tourism expenses. Chris Bezoenik made a motion to approve the bills for payment that were presented and transfer \$6,000.00 from tourism to operation funds to cover expenses YTD. With a second by Sherry Lange and a vote the motion was approved.
- V. Chamber office letter
 - Letter detailed from the Chamber office to the Village Board:

Dear Village Board of Directors:

On behalf of the Johnson Creek Area Chamber of Commerce, we would like to ask the Village board if you would support having the Old Village Hall building become a Tourism Center/Chamber office that could also house either the Historical Society or the Senior Center. If so, we would like to ask if the rent of \$500 per month could be paid out of the Village Tourism money, while the Chamber Tourism money would pay for the utilities and insurance.

This could be an opportunity to provide housing in the east half of this historical 100 year old building to another non-profit organization.

If you would like to discuss this in more detail, please feel free to contact me at 699-4949.

Sincerely,

Connie Oestreich
Executive Director
Johnson Creek Area Chamber of Commerce

 - This did not seem to be an expense that the village wanted to undertake and Mark reiterated the offer to relocate the Chamber office to the community center. The Chamber board will need to explore steps to move towards introducing a resolution to the village board to request this space. Sherry Lange made a motion to request to use available space in community center if it is financially beneficial. This would be a short term solution while the Park & Rec. continues to grow. Chris Bezoenik seconded this motion, with a vote the motion passed.
- VI. Website
 - Concern with paying \$75.00 and up for monthly website updates.
 - Rick said he would contact Joe Brown to find a student to work with from the school.
- VII. Punch list review (Refer to Connie's punch list)
 - Report from Connie at monthly board meeting from JCTC
 - Rummage O-Rama
 - Current events review what is working and what is not.
 - Decals for Chamber members – bid on decals needed
 - Business of the year – present at annual dinner, check what other chambers do
- VIII. Other business
 - Set up membership guide in binder for Chamber member
- IX. Next Board meeting Oct. 8th – Culvers. Budget review
- X. Chris Bezoenik made a motion and with a second by Bonnie Hertel, the meeting was adjourned at 4:57pm.

