

Agenda & Minutes: May 2007

Fulton Chamber of Commerce
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May 8, 2007

Noon – Chamber Office

- Call to Order
- Minutes (following pages 2 & 3)
- FACE Presentation (Fulton Association for Community Enrichment) – Connie Koehn, Executive Director
- Treasurer's Report – (see Excel attachment)
- Budget Update FY'07 (see Excel attachment)
- Executive
 - Chamber Board Nominees – Paula Rogis, Linda Hollis and Bill Wilkin
 - Annual Dinner Location – June 21, 2007 (see MW attachment)
 - Executive Director Meeting Report (see MW attachment)
 - Policy Manual (see MW attachment – exhibits not included)
 - Sales Tax Increase – discussion, possibly appoint committee
- Tourism & Promotions
 - Advertising Publications – handed out at meeting
 - City Tourism Committee Report
 - Update on Summer 2007 Event – I Wooden Shoe Display – painted shoe prints
 - Community Brochure

- Amana Colonies Dinner & Theatre Trip – Thursday, May 24, 2007
- Cubs Baseball Game Bus Trip – Saturday, August 4, 2007
- Lincoln Highway Buy-Way Yard Sales Event

- Government Affairs

- Member Relations

- May

Spotlights: Longs Garden, Friends of the Windmill, La Bella Vita &
Two Photographers w/Style – program to end in July/August

- Fulton Bridal & Anniversary Walk Update

- Downtown

- Fulton Retail Development Group Update

- Old/New Business

- Dutch Days Photos

- Next Board Meeting – June 12, 2007

- Other

Fulton Chamber of Commerce

Minutes from April 10, 2007

Attendance:

Steve Owen, Linda Hollis, Shirl Wierenga-Huber, Lynne Loerop, Patti Housenga, Heather Bennett, Chuck Dykstra and Bill Wilkin.

Minutes: A motion was made by Loerop and seconded by Hollis to approve the minutes from March 20, 2007. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Hollis

reviewed report noting expenses and income for the month of March: \$40.20 revenue and \$1,849.31 expenses, leaving a balance of \$13,317.47. A motion was made by Loerop and seconded by Rogis to accept the Treasurer's Report. Motion carried. Bennett provided a year to date budget report.

Executive: Eric

Johnson, Randy Clary and Myra Norman have agreed to serve on the nominating committee. The Chamber Annual Dinner will be held Thursday, June 21, 2007. Bennett was asked to research some locations and meal costs. Bennett provided Chamber Board with a copy of her monthly meetings.

Tourism & Promotions:

Copies of the March/April advertising were provided. The City of Fulton has created a City Tourism Committee that will substitute for the Chamber's Tourism Committee. The City is asking for representation from various organizations in town affiliated with tourism. A motion was made by Hollis and seconded by Wilkin to appoint Shirl Wierenga-Huber to the City's Tourism Committee. Motion carried. The International Wooden Shoe Exhibit is still on schedule and the shoes will be shipped later part of April/first part of May. Betty Wiebenga has agreed to organize a wooden shoe painted print from the windmill to downtown area. The painted prints will be painted by 80 5th graders from River Bend and will be completed the later part of May. Angelena Grimm, CCC student, is working on the community brochure and it is hoped it will go to the printer by mid-April. The Cubs Baseball Game is scheduled for August 4, against the New York Mets. The Amana Colonies and Old Creamery Theatre trip is scheduled for May 24, 2007. Chuck Dykstra volunteered to attend the Fulton Wa Tan Ye Club meeting to discuss partnering with the Fulton Chamber of Commerce to host the Lincoln Buy-Way Yard Sale Event to be held August 9 – 11, 2007.

Government Affairs: The

Donuts & Discussion with City Candidates and School Board Candidates was cancelled due to limited candidate participation.

Member Relations:

A Biz After 5 will be held for Two Photographers Wit Style on April 19, 2007. The Fulton Bridal Walk is scheduled for Thursday, June 28 from 4pm to 8pm in downtown Fulton. The event needs 20 participating businesses to proceed. The deadline for participation is April 30. The Chamber Spotlights will be ending this summer.

Downtown: Dykstra

reported the Fulton Retail Development Group building will be listed

with FSBO.Com (For Sale by Owner) at a price of \$199,500.

Old/New Business:

Shirl Wierenga-Huber mentioned getting more detailed info. on businesses in the community to Sharon Hesselman, Gateway Greetings Coordinator. It was noted the Fulton Journal has been inquiring when the spotlights will end. When the spotlights conclude, in July/August, another thank you needs to be sent to the Fulton Journal for their generosity in faithfully running the spotlights each week.

Adjourn: A motion was made by Dykstra and seconded by Loerop to adjourn meeting. Meeting adjourned at 12:55pm.

Next board meeting: Tuesday, May 8, 2007, at Noon.