

## Agenda & Minutes: August 2008

Fulton Chamber of Commerce

Agenda

August 12, 2008

Noon

Call to Order

Minutes (following pages 2 & 3)

Correspondence

Treasurer's Report

July Treasurer's Report (See Excel attachment)  
Budget Update (see Excel attachment)  
Proposed FY'09 Budget

Executive

Executive Director Meeting Report July/August (see attached)  
Election of Officers - President, Vice President, Treasurer  
Membership Drive - letters mailed first part of September

Tourism & Promotions

Advertising Publications (available for review at chamber office)  
Cubs vs. Cardinals Bus Trip Update  
Fall Festival Committee..."Marking the Fall Season" (see minutes attached)  
City Tourism Committee Report (see minutes attached)  
Lincoln Highway Yard Sales Event Update

#### Government Affairs

Legislative Luncheon w/Congressman Manzullo Update  
Legislative Luncheon Representative Boland - September TBA

#### Member Relations

Membership Education Committee (see minutes attached)  
Bridal & Anniversary Walk Update (see minutes attached)  
Green Expo - (see minutes attached)

#### Downtown

Fulton Retail Development Group Update

#### Old/New Business

Competitive Communities Initiative (CCI) Update  
Maternity Leave (see attached)  
Next Board Meeting - September 9, 2008  
Other

#### Adjourn

## Fulton Chamber of Commerce

Minutes from July 8, 2008

No June Board Meeting Was Held.

Attendance: Chuck Dykstra, Heather Bennett, Linda Hollis, Paula Rogis, Lynne Loerop, Greg Naftzger, and Shirl Wierenga-Huber.

Minutes: A motion was made by Loerop and seconded by Dykstra to approve the minutes from May 13, 2008. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Hollis reviewed report noting expenses and income for the month of May and June. May: \$2,256.91 revenue and \$1,144.03 expenses, leaving a balance of \$8,595.36. June: \$794.56 revenue and \$1,485.92 expenses, leaving a balance of \$7,904.00. A motion was made by Loerop and seconded by Dykstra to accept the May and June Treasurer's Report. Motion carried. Bennett provided a year to date budget update.

Executive: The monthly Executive Director meeting report was provided to the chamber board. Board reviewed the annual dinner held on June 19, 2008. The board was pleased with the attendance (50), meal, and location at Manny's Too. Bennett reminded board at the August meeting they will need to elect President, Vice President, and Treasurer. If asked, Linda Hollis is willing to serve again as Treasurer (Bennett noted she has no choice). Paula Rogis is the current President but informed Bennett if someone else would like to be President she is more than willing to step down. Steve Owen is the current Vice Presidents but was not in attendance. Bill Stoermer informed Heather that if no one would accept the Presidency, he would be willing.

**Tourism & Promotions:** Copies of the May/June advertising were provided. The Cubs vs. Cardinals baseball game is set for August 9, 2008, all tickets are sold. Hollis reviewed the minutes from the Fall Festival Committee. Hollis noted the chamber will be ordering socks for the run/walk, have booked a river band from Dubuque, and will have some kind of pumpkin decorating contest. Bennett reviewed the minutes from the Tourism Committee. The Lincoln Highway Sales Event is set for August 8 & 9, 2008, and Bennett has met with Helen Buikema of the Wa Tan Ye Club to finalize registration dates and details.

**Government Affairs:** The Legislative Luncheon with Senator Mike Jacobs was well attended (38) and the facility at Agri-King was wonderful. Bill Stoermer is working to coordinate dates and times for the next Legislative Luncheons with Congressman Manzullo and Representative Mike Boland. Details TBA.

**Member Relations:** The Member Ed Committee did not meet in June, but Bennett noted the committee is working to schedule a small business workshop sometime in September or October. Dykstra reported the Bridal & Anniversary Walk went well, although several of the registrants did not make their way downtown from Manny's. Fifty-five (55) brides registered at the second annual event. The vendors located inside Manny's were very pleased. The committee will meet to discuss changes/additions for next year's event. The Green Expo is coming along and minutes from the last meeting were provided to the board. Several free public disposal services will be offered.

**Downtown:** Chuck Dykstra briefly updated the board on the progress being made to the former Vander Vinne building located in downtown Fulton. The interior is now complete and the group has received a façade grant to assist with the outside front renovation. The building materials (windows, doors, etc.) were shipped on June 20 but experienced some damage so the group is waiting for a new shipment of materials. Dykstra estimates the building will sell for around \$135,000 with rental fees bringing in \$1,035/month which will increase to \$1,235/month in September once the renovation is complete.

**Old/New Business:** No report from the Competitive Communities Initiative.

**Adjourn:** A motion was made by Hollis and seconded by Wierenga-Huber to adjourn the meeting at 12:55pm. Motion carried.

Next board meeting: Tuesday, August 12, 2008 at Noon.