



Main Street Amherst

General Membership Meeting

April 5, 2018

In attendance: Denise McCarty, Joni Poli, Mike Ciu, Micah Judy, Chip Ingersol & Cora, Pat Farnsworth, Erin Link, Barb Tressel-Bangas, Victoria Barren, Sumer Smith, Rachelle Conrady, Katherine Gambish, Craig Kinsley, Craig Snodgrass, Dianna Frederickson, Jenn Smith, Matthew Metzger, Terri Kidrowski, Tim Kidrowski, Jeanette Flynn, Wendy Burgos, Judy Recknagle, Herb Del A Port, Carmen Close, Teresa Gilles, Millie Bungels, Angel Wright, Bonnie Pohorence, Sarah Herold, Dianna Fredricksen, Missy Beran, LouAnn Wiegand, Jonathan Hauck, Barb Tressell-Bangas, Missy Timko, Mark Cawthon, Steve Sayers, Spencer Reid, Timmy Kiedrowski, Ryan Ladd, Mandy Saluk, Alan Anderson, Teresa Mottel, Sarah Kucbel, Jackie Sigman, Myles Bremke, Jeff Lowman, David Janik, Nancy Tomek, Kevin DeLong, Jennifer Scott-Wasilk, Dave Jones, Diana Fredrikson, Medina Gonzalez, Pogie, Candace Matwijiw, Jerry Perch, Terri Kiedrowski, Rick Payerchin, Erick Marcucci, Megan Otter, Ben Cislo, Therese Amato, Victoria Beares, Alan Anderson.

Meeting called to order by Denise McCarty at 9:05am.

Motion to approve April minutes, Teresa 1<sup>st</sup>, Joni 2<sup>nd</sup>.

President – Denise McCarty

- Welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Vice President – Tom Anderson

- Brochure – going to print. Need your member fee paid. Going to print 4/6 at 3pm.

Treasurer – Terri Kiedrowski

- Income 1<sup>st</sup> quarter \$68,943.91. Expenses \$22,806.60.

Business Enhancement - Mike Ciu

- Next mtg, Tuesday, 5/1 at 8:30am at Mercy Rec on Cooper Foster. Discussing a “morning walk” with businesses. Looking for new ideas. Please join.
- Please text AMHERST to 797979. Puts you on text-list for mtgs, ext.
- Next After Hours at Brew Kettle, April 25<sup>th</sup>, 5-7pm.

Oranization Chair – Erin Link

- Smart Start Workshop – Thursday, April 12, 8-10am, on Amherst Insider App. Jon Hauck conducting. Must be MSA member to be on the app.
- Back Pack – Please sign up for open months.

- Sip & Shop – Thursday, April 26<sup>th</sup>, 5-8pm. Cost \$25 per business for advertising. If outside of downtown, please join another retailer.

#### Promotional Chair – Joni Poli

- Pride Day – Joni. Meet at MSA, 9am-12noon.
- W&C – Donna T. – sold out, passed out app forms to vendors.
- WOW – Bobby – June 13<sup>th</sup>. July 11<sup>th</sup>. Aug 8<sup>th</sup>. Sept 12. Next mtg. Tuesday, April 10<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm. Asked for “artistic or car-buff” people to participate. The Farmer’s Market & Vendors (4pm) will be on the grounds at Town Hall. Car show starts at 5pm. Looking for more farmers to participate.
- Explorer’s Club – Denise, Ryan, Nancy – Next mtg. Tuesday, May 1<sup>st</sup> at 8:30am at Mercy Rec on Cooper Foster. Lanyards are free this year. Ryan & Nancy explained changes: business concept, explore the parks w/MRC backpack, scavenger hunt (library). Asked for members to sponsor more backpacks for MRC program. Approx. \$100 to sponsor, see or call Ryan 440-984-3470.
- D.O.M.S. – Tom & Chip – Saturday, August 4<sup>th</sup>. Next mtg. Thursday, April 12<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 inside Alpha Dog on Middle Ridge Rd. Looking for talent, musical & activities. Call Tom @ 330-606-7181.

#### Special Projects Chair – Bobby Vaughn

- Absent.

#### Design Chair – Pat Farnsworth

- No report

#### Executive Director’s Report - Teresa Gilles

- Looking for volunteers to water the hanging flower baskets.
- Sign-up for Emergency text for businesses (W.E.N.S.), sent by Amherst Police Dept., See website. MSA started “block captain’s” for emergency situations. Teresa would notify the captains; the captains would notify the businesses.
- Grant is over, files sent to the county to be audited.

#### Police Dept. – School District – Library – Rotary – Mural – Open the Floor.....

- Jennifer Wasilk, President City Council – WOW, installing systems now. Should be completed by 2019. Mark Cawthon, Amherst Police Dept. – reminder to watch for children on bikes & pedestrian safety. Library, Nancy – Fab Cab rescheduled for April 21<sup>st</sup>. 10-11:30am at Nordson Depot. Register on Amherst Library website. Amherst Schools – approx. 30-40 students district wide use the Back Pack Program. Introduced Sarah Kucbel, Amherst PTO, provides leadership & guidance to Amherst Residents, the driving force behind the school levy. Sarah asked for ways to help bring “family unit” back together. Suggested “Family 1<sup>st</sup> Night” held in November & March annually, to include businesses that could offer a discount, etc. Would be advertised by schools as well. Pogie – fundraiser, Thursday, April 19<sup>th</sup> for woman’s shelter, at Grange Hall, \$25 steak fry. Tickets available.

**Adjourn – 10:03am, Teresa 1<sup>st</sup>, Chip 2<sup>nd</sup>.**

**Next meeting, May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2018 at 9am.**