

REMER AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES
November 10, 2015

OFFICERS PRESENT: Bob Stoeckel, Scott Kesti, Julie Stoeckel and Kim Archer

MEMBERS PRESENT: Alicia Burgers, Su Ugstad, Cheire Frick, Dan Russell, Shane Dugan, Kaara Nilsson, Sherri Logan, Jean Olson, Walt & Carol Scollard

- Meeting called to order at 5:00 pm by President, Bob Stoeckel
- Additions and approval of agenda
 1. Caboose
 2. Flyers
 3. Trail maps
- Motion to accept agenda

M/S/P W Scollard/S Logan/Passed

- Meeting minutes from the last meeting were looked over
- Motion to accept minutes

M/S/P S Ugstad/J Olson/Passed

FINANCIAL REPORT:

- Julie submitted the financial report
 - Upgrading QuickBooks - Alicia will purchase the 2016 version and be reimbursed
- Motion to accept the Financial Report

M/S/P D Russell/S Logan/Passed

LIBRARY REPORT:

- Santa will be at the Library Saturday, December 12 from 10:30 am to 1 pm
- Have local kids making ornaments on 11/22 to hang on the tree
- Getting new books from the "book warehouse"
- Bookmobile starts up November 24, 2015 - The 2nd and 4th Tuesdays - 9 to 11 am at the Library

OLD BUSINESS:

- Haunted House Update:
 - Great Helpers – thanks everybody who helped
 - 155 people paid to go through this year & 198 people paid last year
 - Manja & Sarah Holter donated money for kids that did not have any - Thank You Both!
 - We had \$12 more on donations
 - Seemed like everyone enjoyed it – scarier than last year was reported!
- Turkey Bingo/Silent Auction Update:
 - Sunday, November 22 2 pm to 4 pm at the Village Hall
 - Please come and support the Chamber – Win a turkey & Bid on some goodies!
 - Scott will be at the Village at 10:30 am on Sunday to accept your baked goods for the auction – we are accepting pies, cakes, cookies, bars, gift baskets or gift certificates
- Depot Decorating Update:
 - Library will be doing the inside
 - Bob and Su Ugstad will be doing the outside
- Christmas Crawl Update:
 - Friday, December 18 from 5 pm to 8 pm
 - Posters will be ready by December 8
 - There will be a contest for the best decorated main street business
 - Jodi Archer is heading it up
 - Winner gets their picture in the paper and on the website and they get to head up next year's contest!
 - Boxes – which each business provides – goes out during the Crawl only!
 - There will be carolers again
 - Seniors can sign up at the Library if they need a ride in and home

- Sell your Raffle tickets - it is the last night!
- At 8 pm everybody is welcome to come to the park for the lighting of the Christmas tree, the raffle drawing and the carolers!
- Christmas Wreath Update:
 - Kaara went around and got a list of interested businesses; which she took to in and they will get ahold of you
 - There will be garland at both "Welcome to Remer" signs as well as the a wreath for the Depot and Caboose
- New Membership Cards Update:
 - Jean Olson will take a new picture for the card – which will be sent to Minuteman Press
- Motion to accept Old Business:

M/S/P D Russell/S Dugan/Passed

NEW BUSINESS:

- Chamber Christmas Party:
 - December 8th, 5pm
 - Informal – Pot Luck – Short meeting
- Caboose:
 - Need signs – hours open, no food or drink allowed ...
 - American Eagle will have the new security system installed by the end of the month
 - Need to finish the furnace
 - Put locks on the lockers as the Chamber uses them for storage
 - Cleaning up:
 - Snow/wet in the winter – dirty in the summer
 - Put in rubber mats and runners
 - Open only on Saturdays in the winter – when should it be open
 - Jean says there are people in it all the time
- Flyers:
 - School will print them up for the elementary kids
 - Sunday, November 22, from 1 to 3 pm at the Alliance Church kids will be able to paint an ornament for the Christmas Tree at the Library and one to take home
 - There will be treats for kids and adults
- Trail Map:
 - Jean Olson said many people are asking about the Soo Line Trail
 - She would like the Chamber to put out a map for both snowmobiles and ATV's
 - She will contact Eagle Country Snowmobile Club
 - Theresa Myers is the ATV Ambassador
 - Soo Line Trail is closed to ATV's after November 1st until May 1st
 - The trail cam – we are wired for it; but we need a new computer before we can get it up and running and somebody with the knowledge to get it on the website
- Motion to Adjourn:

M/S/P D Russell/J Stoeckel/Passed

**NEXT MEETING 5 pm:
Tuesday December 8
Chamber Christmas Party
At The Depot
Please bring a dish/appetizer/dessert to share**

Submitted by:
Kim Archer
Chamber Secretary