

**REMER AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
ANNUAL MEETING
October 10, 2017**

OFFICERS PRESENT: Scott Kesti, Shane Dugan, Alicia Burgers and Kim Archer

MEMBERS PRESENT: Nancy Stefan, Jon Karner, Carol Johnson, Blaine Raushel, Sherri Logan, Mark Ruyak, Erika Ellingboe, Greg Meek, Shem & Mary Daugherty, Denise Green, Willie Huotari, Sherri Berg, Jean Olson, Kaara Nilsson, Noreen Anderson and Bob Stoeckel

GUESTS: Donna Dugan, David Anderson, Pete Logan, Bill and Delia Phillips

- Meeting called to order @ 5:00 pm by President Scott Kesti
- Additions and approval of agenda:
 - Add to New Business: Blandin Grant/Pavilion
- Motion to accept agenda:

M/S/P S Daugherty/C Johnson/Passed

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

M/S/P B Stoeckel/C Johnson/Passed

FINANCIAL REPORT:

- Alicia submitted the financial report
- Motion to accept the financial report

M/S/P J Olson/S Logan/Passed

LIBRARY REPORT:

- Jean submitted the library report
 - Fiddle Fun: only 6 out-of-town children attended
 - Book sale was good
 - 18 people attended the author talks
- Motion to accept the library report

M/S/P S Daugherty/N Stefan/Passed

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Fall Has It All Update:

- a. Kids day – there were more kids around this year– combining with the Library Open House, pumpkin painting and bake sale was a good idea
- b. Button Sales: Was good – we sold 155 buttons!
- c. Bake sale did well – we took in around \$400 – thanks to everyone who helped out and donated baked goods again this year!

2. Welcome Wagon Update:

- a. Mary has 5 full baskets ready to go and some empty ones ready to fill
- b. Please keep dropping your goodies off – she is running low
- c. A lot of baskets have gone out and people love them
- d. Thanks everybody!

3. Halloween Haunted House:

- a. Meeting and start setting up: Friday, October 27th @ 5 PM – work on it through the weekend – bring whatever goodies you want to use!
- b. Tuesday, October 31st at 5:30 PM to 7 or 8 PM
- c. Clean up Wednesday night starting at 5 PM

If you want to help please email us at remerchamber@gmail.com, stop and talk to Shane or Scott, or just come to the Old Village Hall at any of the days & times listed above and be ready to help out!

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Blandin Grant:

- a. We received \$5,000 for the pavilion
 - b. Still waiting to hear from Lake Country Power and NJPA
 - c. Thank you Skip and Terry for all your hard work on this exciting project
- 2. Father's Heart and Hands Food Shelf:**
Noreen came to share with the Chamber the upcoming events in the community
- a. **Coats for kids** is Monday October 23 and Tuesday October 24 at Harvest Church from 3 to 6 pm each night
 - They have new and used coats along with donated handmade hats and mittens to give away, there is still a need for certain size coats
 - Noreen invited Chamber member to stop by and check it out
 - b. **Thanksgiving & Christmas Dinner baskets for those in need during the Holidays:**
 - They give away 50 to 68 baskets each year
 - Sign-up starts soon for Thanksgiving and baskets are handed out three days before the holiday by volunteers
 - Each basket is modified for the size of the family
 - Donations are welcome and accepted – if you would like to help you can give money, canned goods, frozen turkeys or hams
- 3. Year in Review:** It has been another good year for the Remer Chamber with the continued success and new growth to our yearly festivities and we hope to continue to grow and prosper in the coming year!
- The Chili Feed/Dog Sled Races
 - Bigfoot Days
 - Harvest Festival
 - Fall Has It All
 - The Music Festival

Thank You to all the Chamber Members and Community Members who have worked hard to help make these events a success and bring people into our community – helping our businesses to prosper and grow – Thank you!

4. Presidential Vote:

Our New Chamber President is Denise Green
Alicia will continue as the Chamber Treasurer

Thank you both for your willingness to serve the community!

Thanks to Scott and Kaara for your two years of dedicated service!

- Motion to adjourn

M/S/P J Olson/S Logan/Passed

**NEXT MEETING 5 PM
Tuesday, November 14, 2017
AT THE DEPOT**

Submitted By:
Kim Archer
Chamber Secretary