

**REMER AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES
September 10, 2013**

OFFICERS PRESENT: Bob Stoeckel, Shawn Dickinson, Julie Stoeckel and Kim Archer

MEMBERS PRESENT: Sherri Logan, Alicia Burgers, Dan Russell, Kathy Bullock, Su Ugstad, Cherri Frick, Elizabeth Frick, Joshua and Samantha Swankier

- Meeting called to order at 5:00 pm by President, Bob Stoeckel
- Additions and approval of agenda
 1. Under New Business: joining the Grand Rapids Chamber and signing up for the website?
 2. Continue with scarecrow making?
- Motion to accept agenda

M/S/P S Dickinson/S Logan/Passed

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

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

FINANCIAL REPORT:

- Julie submitted the financial report
 - The Chamber received donations to the Caboose fund for \$1,163.47
- Motion to accept the Financial Report

M/S/P S Ugstad/D Russell/Passed

- Kathy Bullock submitted the Harvest Festival report
- Motion to accept the Harvest Festival Report

M/S/P D Russell/S Dickinson/Passed

▪ **THRIFTY NIFTY & NEW REPORT:**

- Financial Report submitted
- Adding a dumpster with weekly pickup
- There is a new Vice President Sandy Stephonic - she used to manage the Second Chance Store; Christine Desmond has stepped down
- They are still in need of volunteers, only open Thursday, Friday and Saturday
- Cherri Frick called the school to see if they had a work study program, but students could volunteer also. Cherri is waiting for a call back from Lisa Tucci
- Bob spoke to Noreen from Little Sand as well about the girls volunteering
- Motion to accept the Thrifty Nifty & New Report

M/S/P S Dickinson/J Stoeckel/Passed

▪ **LIBRARY REPORT:**

- No one from the Library came

OLD BUSINESS:

- Bob received a letter from LCP, Walt Scollard applied for a grant to help restore the Caboose
 - The Minnesota Historical Society also gives out grant money
 - minnesotahistoricalsociety.org
 - Bob or Shawn will talk to Michelle Tessin to see if she will write a grant
 - Cherri checked on where Hill City got their money to do a 3 or 4 day celebration this 4th of July and they received a grant from Aitkin County Tourism
- The letter that is going out to all members and prospective member with their application, was read aloud and changes were made

- The annual dinner is Tuesday, October 8th at the Village Hall
- Bring your own beverage pop and water will be supplied
- Terry Gross is catering the dinner - \$10 per person (unless you bring your paid 2014 membership) then you get ONE meal free)
 - The meal will be Chicken or brats, potato salad, baked beans and chips
- Printing labels, letters and applications â€” mailing them out next week

- Motion to accept Old Business:

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

NEW BUSINESS:

- Fall Has It All: The buttons have been passed out â€” \$4.00 each and there is an event calendar that goes with the button
- Car Shows on 9/25 and 10/5
 - There will be an ad in the paper since this is our first year participating
 - Sponsor a trophy for the car show
 - Icecube will sponsor one for \$25.00
 - Thrifty Nifty and New will have a table at the car show
 - Sidewalk sales and rummage sales also on 10/5
 - Bake sale along with pumpkin painting and scarecrow making
- Not sure if there is going to be a Halloween Dance this year or not, that will be revisited at the Annual Meeting on October 8th
- Grand Rapids Chamber and Website
 - The Chamber would like to set up a committee for marketing the Remer Area Chamber of Commerce
 - Remer Chamber will join the Grand Rapids Chamber for 2014

Bob made a motion to vote on whether it was worth the extra money to be on their website

It was voted not to

- Motion to Adjourn:

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

NEXT MEETING: October 8th 5 pm at the Village Hall for the Annual Meeting
Social hour: 5 pm to 6 pm (bring your own beverage)
Dinner: 6 pm to 7 pm
Meeting 7 pm to 8 pm

Submitted by:
 Kim Archer
 Chamber Secretary