

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 8:03am by chamber president Tim Roth at the Southern Boone School District Central Office.

Roll Call:

Board Members Present: Tim Roth (P), Becky Edwards (VP), Melissa Karotka (Sec), Faryn Griffin, Ann Colgrove, Jesse Wheadon, April Hayes, Letitia DenHartog

Absent: Tracy Titmus (PP), Tracy Banning (Tres), Laurie DiPietro

Others Present: Kyle Michael, Virginia Steiger, Renee Foster, Ken Bishop, Brandon Glascock, Izzy Smith, Jason Garrett, Lisa Driskel Hawxby,

Quorum: yes

Introduction of Guests: None today

Additions:

Chamber Scholarship for Southern Boone School

Approval of the Minutes

The November minutes were presented.

Corrections to the minutes: Specify Bill Lloyd retired from the county planning & zoning board. Remove duplication of 2023 board.

After revisions Ann Colgrove and Letitia DenHartog made motions to approve the minutes.

Board approved.

Treasurer's Report

Expenses: \$2,127.48

Income: \$2,001.17

Monthly End Bank Statement as of 11/8/2022 \$42,304.34

Motions made by April Hayes and Faryn Griffin to approve the treasurer's report. November Treasurer's report approved.

Committee Reports/New Chairpersons:

Membership/Ambassadors: Jesse Wheadon

Angel & CO may want to do a ribbon cutting for the opening of their new office. Kyle Michael passed along contact information for Scooters and Taco Bell to reach out for ribbon cuttings.

Special Events/Quarterly Membership: April Hayes

65 lunches went out for the Thankful for you event, very well received by all.

Next events: Letter to Santa mailbox is up, let everyone know their kids can submit letters to Santa.

January 19, 2023 will be the annual awards banquet, Jose's will be doing the food.

February will be Breakfast for your Brain. Ashland Villa is sponsoring. Kays Law will be doing a presentation on real estate planning.

March 11 will be the annual fund raiser – 80's Prom. Dinner, awards, prom king/queen, live band and more. Stay tuned for more details to come.

Website and Newsletter: Faryn Griffin

Send information to Faryn for the newsletter and social media.

Budget/Finance: Tracy Banning

Deposit paid for the speaker for event next year.

City Of Ashland:

City Updates: Kyle Michael

Prop 3 is in the work for the April ballot, sales tax revenue.

Scooter and Taco Bell will open, do not have definitive dates at this time.

No update on Yummy Yo's – no work or permits have been done at this time.

Ashland Betterment Coalition: Jesse Wheadon

Planters for downtown – creating a plan to work with ag program and local businesses on maintenance of them.

January meeting with Mainstreet to discuss fundraising

Monthly meetings are open to the public the first Monday of each month at 7pm at City Hall community room.

Applying for a grant through MFR for betterment in the community

Ashland Betterment Coalition: Jesse Wheadon

Looking at a fund raiser of school flags for local businesses to display

Wine stroll – fliers went out in city bills

Last months BINGO fund raiser was successful

Bill Lloyd attended the Professional Development workshop

Unfinished Business:

None

New Business

By Laws updated for the Chamber – recommended to update under Article V section 1 to change program to Marketing & Communication.

Melissa Karotka and Faryn Griffin made motions to approve the final bylaws after the wording update. Motion passed all in favor.

City Impact Fee: item that is being worked on through the board of alderman that would apply an impact fee on new construction in Ashland to help provide funding for the city's 3 main areas which are in no particular order police, sewer and streets. This impact fee has been under discussion with the board of alderman for a few workshops along with a few meetings, the vote which was to be held on December 6, 2022 was held over for further discussion. Further education to other boards in the area along with the community on this before it goes further. Discussion was approached about the difference between an impact fee or an increase in sales tax for the city. At this time the impact fee is scheduled to possibly be on the January agenda for the board of alderman meeting.

Ann Colgrove brought up to update the chambers banking account to an interest-bearing account. This would a little bit of interest earned on the chamber funds. Currently interest-bearing accounts are at .8%

Becky Edwards and Melissa Karotka brought a motion to upgrade the chamber bank account to an interest-bearing account, motion passed, all in favor.

- **Business prospects:**

- None

- **Other Announcements:**

Faryn Griffin – Tracy Banning has committee descriptions and will pass them along to Faryn Griffin.

YMCA is offering CCPR classes. Available to local businesses as well.

Adjourn

Motions made by Becky Edwards and April Hayes to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 8:58am

Next Board Meeting

The next meeting is January 12, 2023 at the Southern Boone Administration Building.