

The Greater Parish Area Chamber of Commerce
PO Box 303 Parish, NY 13131

The August 24, 2011, monthly meeting was held at the Parish-Hastings Presbyterian Church, 814 Rider Street. The meeting began at 7:44 p.m. with Dan Dalin, president presiding. Those present Lillian Harter, vice-president, Charlene Dano, treasurer and member: Mary Lou Guindon.

Minutes

Lillian Harter made a motion to accept the July meeting minutes, Mary Lou Guindon seconded.

Treasurer's Report

Motion made by ML Guindon and second by Lillian Harter to accept the treasurer's report as submitted. Total savings and checking= \$628.79.

Lillian Harter

Lillian stated that we need to start thinking about Christmas—Elves at Work. She may have to have it at her house again this year. She will inquire about using space from John Courcsey for Nov. –Dec. Discussed other possibilities Sortman house or house on corner of Mill St. (Fuller or Haberek)
Other discussions:

Correspondence

SAVE(Suicide Prevention)—Walk to Save Lives at SUNY Oswego Sept. 17 at 11 a.m.

Sun. Aug. 28 Pet Walk at noon at Parish Fire Station; noon -3 pm Pet Care Adoption Fair at Mills & Petre Mem'l Gym.

Discussions

~Overall view of Parish Olde Home Days was good. More older people, not many kids. Plenty of vendors and it was more profitable for them this year. The candlelight staff did a great job and did excellent job cleaning up.

~This Sat. August 27 will be the last Farmer's Market for the season.

~Charlene suggested that the membership list be reviewed and remove non-paying members before submitting to Os. Co. Business magazine

~There will be a meeting held on Aug. 31 at 7 p.m. in Steve's office at the Parish Mills & Petrie Mem'l Gymnasium with reps from chamber, historical, town and village representatives about collaborating on a joint newsletter sharing expenses.

~The Chamber would like a newsletter out by Sept. 15 including these topics...need of officers; elections held at dinner meeting on Nov. 29 at 6 p.m. –Grist Mill Restaurant with a guest speaker possibly Barry Leemann; Mike Treadwell, Janet Clerkin or John Bartow. Dan will write article/letter with a positive spin about membership, costs, dinner etc.

~seminars requested in surveys: how to hire employees; interviewing tips; how to have a budget

Upcoming activities (Mary Lou will place those between Nov. – March with Os. Co. Tourism)

*Sept. 21 6 p.m. regular business meeting at Grist Mill Restaurant (nominations for officers will be accepted)

*Fall Fest Sat. Oct. 15: 12 – 4 p.m. at Mills & Petrie Mem'l Gym will look for entertainment , vendors and children's activities

*Oct. 25 6 p.m. regular business meeting at Grist Mill Restaurant

*Tentatively Nov. 29 annual dinner meeting at Grist Mill Restaurant. Elections, guest speaker, Focus on Parish winning photos announced.

*Dec. 3 treelighting/caroling/vendors/Santa Clause event 6 p.m. (7-9 p.m. at gym) lights need to be fixed on tree at Memorial Park. Focus on Parish winning photos will be displayed.

*March 17—Parish Irish Day 12-4 p.m. at Mills & Petrie Mem'l Gym : vendors, bake sale, parade

Announcements

--NYDOT Joe Flint will speak at Parish Economic Development Task Force Sept. 14 meeting at 8 a.m. on sidewalks.

--Tim Burley, water engineer will be attending Sept. 15 Parish Town Board meeting

~Motions made by Charlene Dano and Dan Dalin to remove the "Gym Renovation Fund" line and the "Soccer Fund Recreation" line and replace to a common line "Parish Parks" for \$500, with the balance of \$17.75 going to the chamber general fund.

Adjournment

Closed the meeting at 9:30 with motions to adjourn by Charlene Dano and Dan Dalin.