Interlochen Area Chamber of Commerce

April 13, 2016 Board Meeting Minutes

Tom’s Food Market Meeting Room

Attendance: Vive President Bob Allard, Treasurer Barry Bialik, Secretary Harold Schmidt. Directors: Simon Wolf, Brian McAllister, Jan Crossman, & Jane Deering. Office Manager, Gwen Stinson. Guest, Mr. Basler. Excused: Clint Klabunde and Laurie Bouwman.

Meeting called to order by VP Allard at 5:35 PM.

Allard recognizes Mr. David Basler (Annette Basler Scholarship Fund). Mr Balser distributed the original document that organized the scholarship fund The School – Community Partnership between Interlochen Elementary School and IACC in 1988 (see attached). Mr.Basler attended tonight’s meeting to discuss the partnership that led The Annette Basler Scholarship Fund, how it was formed and if the interest is there to continue. Interlochen Community School is slated to close by next year’s school year, but that means there is still seven (7) years left to award scholarships from 2015-2016 enrollment from pre-k through 5th grade. Suggested switching to another school in the area after the seven (7) years. Discussion “Scholarship doesn’t need a BUILDING” to be shared. Perhaps changing the qualification would be the only thing needed to continue. There is $9000.00 in CD’s as well. Discussion. Scholarship awards banquet is May 3, 2016 at St Patrick’s Church on Silver Lake Road,. Mr. Basler encourages Board’s attendance.

Motion by Bialik to continue Chamber’s relationship with Mr Basler and the Annette Basler Scholarship Fund. Discussion. More action to be taken at next month’s meeting.

Article from Traverse City Record Eagle regarding Interlochen Community School closure and actions taken by TCAPS school board was distributed to IACC Board from Mr. Allard. Discussion. (See attached)

**Minutes:**  No minutes to distribute.

**Treasurer’s Report:** No report to distribute.

**Committee Reports:**

 Family Fun Day – June 18, 2016 – Field of Dreams10 AM to 9 PM.

General discussion on expenses vs. profit. Concerns lie in up-front cost to chamber for beer and food. Office Manager advised IACC Board of commitment by Green Lake Township for advertising of event, the cost of both bands (Scottville Clown Band and Willie and the Wannabees) and event tents if needed. They will also help at the event with Green Lake Township personnel and their helpers. This is a great opportunity as a joint venture with most if not all of Green Lake Township officials and theor representatives.

McAllister suggested getting vendors and sponsors for a financial commitment prior to the event to pay various up-front costs to chamber. Wolf and McAllister to make contact with members of the chamber and others to accomplish this goal. Office Manager to forward membership contact list to them to use towards this suggestion. Discussion.

***Motion by Crossman, supported by Bialik to make application to obtain a license to sell beer at the Family Fun Day scheduled for June 18, 2016 and to purchase the bond and license. Roll call vote:***

***Allard – yes, Bialik – yes, Schmidt – yes, McAllister – yes, Crossman – yes. Deering – abstain. Motion carried.***

Annual Dinner: Reservations are trickling in for the dinner. A reminder will go out soon from the office.

Are Guide and Voice – OM reported going to print very soon. Another round of reminders will be sent to members who advertised last year who haven’t committed this year. Lots of artwork changes for both Voice and Area Guide have been submitted and approved.

**Office Manager’s Report:** (see attached)

**Old Business:** None.

**New Business:** None.

Motion by Bialik, supported by Crossman to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 6:17.

These minutes are subject to approval at the next regular meeting, Wednesday, May 11, 2016 at 5:30 PM at Tom’s Food Market meeting room.

Minutes respectfully recorded and submitted by:

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Gwen Stinson, Office Manager IACC