



MINUTES **Date: May 4, 2010**

ATTENDING: Diane Giel of MG Concrete, Larry Bottoms of Nationwide Insurance and Orwell Village, Annette Herbster of Herbster's Tax Service, Nancy Reider of McGillacuddy's Paddock, LLC, Shirley Ulman of J & S Heating & Cooling, Ed Sutliff of Western Reserve Drafting, Bob Deniham of B & S Publishing., J.C Montgomery of JCM Photography, Barbara Klingensmith of Country Neighbor, Chantel Lee of Signsations, Gary Hunter of Rome Township, Pat Hunter of the Conversation Station, Vicki Intihar of Huntington Bank, and Jan Cico of Keybank.

MEETING OPENED: President Diane Giel opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by prayer led by Gary Hunter.

MEETING MINUTES: Presented by Shirley Ulman, motion by Ed Sutliff to accept the minutes as presented (via e-mail and mailing) and seconded by Nancy Reider, motion carried

TREASURES REPORT: Presented and read by Treasurer Annette Herbster

Income Statement November:

Total income	\$ 50.00
Total Expenses	\$ 50.16
Net income	\$ - .16

Balance Sheet

Chamber Accounts	\$ 9365.11
Festival Accounts	\$ 2464.35
Accounts Receivable	\$ 0.00
Un-deposited Funds	\$ 0.00
Total Equity	\$11829.46

Motion by Nancy Reider to accept the treasurer's report as presented and seconded by Gary Hunter, motion carried.

EXECUTIVE MEETING: The Executive Board met April 27. Copies of the Executive Committee meeting minutes are available upon request. Please contact Shirley Ulman doghouse3@windstream.net to request copy.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: The **Festival Committee** will hold its second meeting today, May 4th at 5:00 P.M. at the library.

The **Summer BBQ** will once again be held at the Old Brick in July. Larry Bottoms will check available dates with the Old Brick and advise.

The **Citizen Of The Year Committee** has met and decided to hold this event in September. Diane Giel has reserved September 18th at St. Mary's. The Committee will probably meet again in June.

The **Journey Through Grand Valley Expo** will be held on October 18th. The committee will begin to meet this month and anyone interested in helping should contact Annette Herbster at 437-8838.

The **Directory** is 95% complete and should be ready for distribution by Friday, May 7th. Look for your updates soon.

The **Constitution Committee** chairperson, Gary Hunter, presented the final draft of Section VII. A motion was made by Larry bottoms to accept the following sentences of Article VII: The election of Officers shall happen annually at the November meeting. The Nominating Committee shall present a slate of officers for each position at the October meeting. Additional nominations may be made from the floor at the time the slate is presented. The motion was seconded by Ed Sutliff and the motion passed. A motion was made by Annette Herbster to accept the statement: Each term shall run from January 1 to December 31st of the calendar year. The motion was seconded by Ed Sutliff and the motion passed. A motion was made by Gary Hunter to accept the last statement: Each elected officer may hold their position continuously for a maximum of three one year terms or until a successor is elected. Nancy Reider seconded the motion. Discussion followed. Motion passed. The constitution revisions are now complete. The committee will remain active and begin assembling the by-laws from minutes of previous meetings.

OPEN ISSUES: The new sign for the Chamber is being constructed by the students of Grand Valley. Look for the new sign soon.

NEW BUSINESS: There was a motion made that the Chamber begin to issue Certificates of Membership instead of wood plaques. The motion was made by Chantel Lee, seconded by Nancy Reider. Discussion followed and the motion passed.

A request was received from the American Legion for a donation to offset the cost of sending girls to Buckeye Girl's State. A motion was made by Gary Hunter to donate \$100.00. This amount has been allocated in the budget. A second was made by Nancy Reider and the motion passed.

The chamber is considering sponsoring a **Farmer's Market** during the summer. Spaces could be rented behind the police station with a \$5.00 to \$10.00 charge per table. It would be held on Saturdays. The chamber Executive Committee will follow up on this suggestion and try to organize a committee.

A **Financial Review Committee** has been organized. Someone from Middlefield Bank and someone from Wollam Grand Valley Insurance will sit on this committee. Annette Herbster will contact the members to make arrangements for the financial review.

We have welcomed a new member to the chamber. J.C. Montgomery of **JCM Photography**. Her studio is on Staley Rd. and her phone number is 440-363-5662. She does all kinds of portraits, photo restoration and glass etching.

Annette Herbster attended a NOACC function in Sandusky. She reported on the meeting and the roundtables held after the meeting. Remember that our chamber is a member of NOACC and can offer great discounts on hospitalization plans, worker's comp plans and office supplies. Please visit the link on our website www.orwellgvchamber.org for additional information about NOACC benefits available to all chamber members.

BUSINESS NEWS: Remember that the Country Neighbor golf outing is June 16th. There are still spots open for hole sponsors and foursomes. Call Country Neighbor at 437-6311 for more information.

Look for our new neighbor, Save-A-Lot to have their grand opening on June 12th.

There will be a public hearing on the transfer station to be installed on Staley Road by All County Disposal. Mark your calendars for May 13th at 6:00 P.M. at the Township Office.

This summer when you purchase food at the concession stand for the baseball fields in Orwell, you will be benefitting the Conversation Station. They are operating the concession stand this summer.

Business of the Month: .4 H Camp Whitewood

NEXT MEETING: June 1st 7:30 am at Orwell Village Hall. Please plan to attend. Please note:
This is the day after Memorial Day.

MEETING ADJOURNED: By Diane Giel.

Respectfully submitted by Shirley Ulman, Secretary

