

Chamber of Commerce in Culver
Board of Directors' Meeting September 30, 2008

The board of directors of the Chamber of Commerce in Culver met at the Culver Coffee Company with Mike Stallings, president, Dick Brantingham, Ralph Winters, Ben Schaller, Dawn Minas, Ron May, Rick Tompos and Scott Huberty in attendance. Vice-president, Greg Fassett, was absent. Bobbie Ruhnow, secretary, was also present.

Stallings called the meeting to order at 7:30 AM and requested approval of the August board minutes. Approval was given on a motion by Tompos/Winters.

Treasurer's Report

Schaller gave a verbal update on finances. He noted that we had received \$1,653 from Kiwanis as the Chamber's share of car raffle ticket sales. The balance in the checking account should be sufficient without withdrawing money from MCCF until December. The only major expenditure anticipated is the postage and printing of Destination Culver. A verbal approval for the report was given on a motion by Brantingham/May.

New Business

The scarecrows will be on parade on October 16. Stallings and Brantingham are securing the cornstalks for the lampposts.

Susie & Rod Jamieson, Town & Country Liquors, are interested in joining the Chamber. Ruhnow will send the necessary information. Kim Lintner, Hospice & Palliative Care, has joined and will be introduced at the Oct. 7th dinner meeting. A ribbon cutting ceremony will be arranged to welcome the Jamiesons.

The nominating committee will consist of the board of directors and will create the slate of officers for 2009 at the October board meeting.

Winters, Tompos, Brantingham, previous Chamber award recipients, will compose the committee to select this year's Lifetime Achievement, Business Person, and Volunteer of the Year awards.

Stallings reported that he represented the Chamber in a recent dinner honoring the retirement of Lance Overmyer, a member of the Culver Fire Department for 46 years. A plaque was obtained from Mr. Trophy and will be engraved with an appropriate sentiment. Suggestions were made that it could be presented in its final form at the Awards dinner in December.

Members noted it was time to begin the budget process with the hope of having it finalized and approved by the membership by the January, 2009 organizational meeting. A change in the distribution of raffle tickets was discussed in the event the Chamber participates in 2009.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 AM.

Bobbie Ruhnow
Executive Secretary