

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE IN CULVER
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MAY 26, 2009

The board of directors of the Chamber of Commerce in Culver met at the Culver Coffee Shop with Dawn Minas, Rick Tompos, Tony Sellers, Mike Stallings, Dick Brantingham, and Ron May present. Bobbie Ruhnow was also in attendance. President, Greg Fassett, was late arriving and Minas opened the meeting at 7:30 AM.

Nine and Wine

Minas reported on the Nine and Wine event held May 22 sponsored by the Chamber at Mystic Hills. Approximately 50 people attended. Ancilla College and B & C Turf were event sponsors and there were 10 individual hole sponsors. The receipts were \$1,682 and expenses were \$871.23. Directors agreed the surplus should go to the general fund. There is \$320 outstanding and Minas will invoice all but Gladie's Deli. Ruhnow will invoice Gladie's for the \$35 plus outstanding dues and \$50 for Destination Culver article. Stallings had invited 20 guests and he suggested that a letter be sent inviting all guests to be Chamber members. Stallings will send the addresses to the secretary for follow up.

Second Century Committee

Brantingham spoke about the Second Century Steering Committee meeting held recently. The first general membership meeting will be held June 9, noon, at the Culver Union Township Public Library. He noted that it was announced that a proposed "impact fee" schedule for Maxinkuckee Village PUD has been cancelled due to cost. He also agreed with a suggestion that members of the Steering Committee be invited to join the Chamber. There are some complaints from lake area residents that there is taxation without representation he said and perhaps, SCC can be a conduit to discuss these concerns. Ruhnow noted that both the Plan Commission and Board of Zoning Appeals had opportunities for jurisdictional members. Fassett joined the group at this time and suggested that an article be considered for the Culver Citizen that would address these concerns.

The general meeting will discuss the six major projects identified in the town wide survey sponsored by SCC.

New Business

Discussion of dates for a Taste of Culver project was held. Fassett said that having it in conjunction with the Film Festival held by Uptown Cinema might conflict with the Marshall County Blueberry Festival although several restaurants in town that Fassett has discussed the event with saw no problem. Ali Gaskill will assist with the planning. Ali was chairman of the event for the Culver Library.

The ribbon cutting for Jamieson's Liquor and the new Bike Barn are still pending.

The Marshall County Visitors' Guide has not been received for editing. Directors confirmed this was a condition of the final payment of \$1,000.

Future dinner meetings were discussed. May said that Ancilla might sponsor a dinner meeting featuring the new Lindenwood Center. A possible dinner cruise on the Academies Ledbetter plus a tour of the new horse barn were also suggested as a meeting venue.

Ruhnow noted that there were still several members who had not paid dues and asked directors to talk to these members to encourage them to submit dues.

Destination Culver Spring/Summer issue is in the mail but there was a mix-up in delivery of the newsletter to Millers Merry Manor who stuffed the envelopes. Bowen Printing was not cooperative in solving the problem. Ruhnow said she could check with the vendor that prints the LMEC newsletter to compare services.

Bobetta Ruhnow
Executive Secretary