

Oconto Falls Area Chamber of Commerce
Membership Meeting Minutes

Date: Thursday, May 19, 2022

Time: 12:00 p.m.

Location: Grace Lutheran Church

Agenda Item	Discussion	Follow-up Action
I. Welcome		
II. Call to Order	President Gail Yatso called the meeting to order.	
III. Introductions	<p>17 members in attendance; each introduced themselves.</p> <p>Thank you to Abrams Theatre for donating the Foreigner tickets. Matt Heling was the random winner.</p>	<p>If your business/organization would like to sponsor a meal for August (a.m.), September, or November, please contact Katie Daul. With your sponsorship, you will be given time on the agenda to share about your business/organization.</p>
IV. Member Spotlight	<p>Tabitha Dobbratz, with Health Markets, gave an introduction to her business. It provides assistance with health insurance, Medicare, and other financial needs. Her new office will open in the late summer/early fall in Oconto Falls.</p>	<p>Please find attached the presentation for more information and reach out to Tabitha with questions. tabitha.dobbratz@healthmarkets.com www.HealthMarkets.com/ssawyer</p>
V. Approval of Agenda	<p>The agenda was approved as presented.</p> <p>Motion made by Heling; seconded by Jagiello. Motion carried.</p>	
VI. Reports		
a. Secretary	<p>Minutes from April were sent electronically prior to the meeting for review. Accepted as presented.</p>	
b. Treasurer	<p>The Treasurer's Report was available at the meeting.</p> <p>We are starting to see concert sponsorships.</p>	
c. Chamber Communications (Facebook, Newsletter,	<p>The electronic signs are up and running!</p>	

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<p>Welcome Sign)</p>	<p>Facebook and Newsletter are going well.</p>	<p>If you don't receive the newsletter, please sign up on our website. If you have something of interest, please share with the Chamber so it can be shared on your behalf.</p>
<p>d. Membership/ Ribbon Cuttings</p>	<p>Looking to schedule ribbon cuttings for Hot Rod Detailing, S&L, Canady & Co., and Wild Stitch. Health Markets will have a ribbon cutting upon opening their store.</p>	<p>Board is working with owners to schedule (weather permitting).</p>
<p>VII. Committee Reports/Events</p>		
<p>a. Oconto Falls Area Trail System</p>	<p>Kiosks: City is looking into purchasing kiosks for trailheads. OCEDC is updating a map for trails. Reviewing of signage spots</p>	
<p>b. Healthy Oconto County Farmers Market Nutrition & Physical Activity</p>	<p>Bronze Designation - will share PR when signs are installed. Location will be in front of Quick Lube, closing street off of Highland Square. First event is on June 7. Committee is looking at expanding upon curing trails. Also working on Produce for Pantries. Nurse's Nook is piloting a summer food program for northern school district. Committee is also looking for new members.</p>	<p>Reach out to Chamber if interested in working at the Chamber table (and include information from your organization). Contact David Lally or Katie Daul if you are interested in being a drop-off site or hosting your own produce drive. Potential new members should reach out to David Lally or Katie Daul.</p>
<p>c. Run for the Trails 9/24/22</p>	<p>Sponsor letters will be going out the week of 6/6.</p>	
<p>d. Concert Series</p>	<p>Committee is looking for volunteers during event (runners) and with take-down help.</p>	<p>Please contact Gail Yatso if interested in helping.</p>

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6/24, 7/22, 8/26		
e. Leadership Oconto County	Graduation ceremony was held 5/5. Applications are being accepted for '22-'23. LOC is seeking a part-time, paid Program Coordinator. This position complements the Chamber Director position.	Visit www.leadershipoc.com for participant application and job posting.
f. Chamber Golf Social (8/4)	Chamber will host a Golf Social; 9 holes to start at 2p, 5p social, 6p dinner at River Island. Baskets will be available.	
VIII. Old Business		
a. Chamber Bucks	Continue to advertise chamber bucks with posters, pamphlets. Bucks can be mailed or purchased on our website store and mailed to you. You can also pick up at Hometown Vet (call ahead). Reminder to consider chamber bucks for holidays, anniversaries, employee recognition, raffle prizes, etc.	
b. City Signs	Awaiting word from City on moving forward.	
c. Bike Racks	Awaiting word from City on moving forward.	
d. Future of Chamber	Looking to hire a part-time, paid Chamber Director. This position complements the Leadership Oconto County position.	Please see the job posting on our website. https://ocontofallschamber.com/employment-and-volunteer-opportunities/
e. Virtual Trails	Meetings and work continues.	
f. Lotter Park	No update.	
g. Other Old Business	NONE.	
IX. New Business		
a. Memorial Day Events	The Sno-Jokers have taken over the event. The Chamber would like to have a the OFACC trailer pulled with our concert series banner for the parade..	Adam Ascher working on rebuilding frame.

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		Looking for a volunteer to pull the trailer in parade; contact Gail Yatso if interested.
b. Other new business	None.	
X. Membership Updates	<p>Membership shared updates. Of note:</p> <p>New Beginnings in Oconto Falls is closing soon and will relocate to Gillett.</p> <p>St. Clare Memorial Hospital is celebrating 100 yrs with a Mass, Reception, and Community Health Fair on 6/1.</p> <p>OEC - Employee Charity bucket raffles will be available in June; stop in the office to check them out.</p> <p>Library has numerous events scheduled over the summer. 6/24 Zoomobile, 7/18 Petting Zoo and Activities, 8/11 City-wide Rummage Sales.</p> <p>Grace Lutheran hosting Joyful Noise concert 7/23 11a-3p at East Side Beach. Food, family-fun event. Vacation Bible School runs 7/24-7/28 and is free and open to any 5th graders and younger.</p> <p>Flagstar - Free finance advice offered; education savings funds information available.</p> <p>Oconto Falls Area Ambulance - EMS Week, new vehicle is in!</p> <p>Chiropractic Advantage is running a Fathers Day special and a chance to win free golf.</p> <p>Oconto Falls School District - Graduation is 5/29. All events are posted on website.</p> <p>Oconto Falls Lioness Club - Wheelbarrow Raffle going on now. Dash OF Color is 5/28.</p>	
<p>Next Membership Meeting: June 16 at 12:00 p.m. at OEC - Rea Rd, Oconto Falls; OEC will be sponsoring lunch!</p> <p>Next Board of Directors Meeting: May 25 and June 22 at 7:30 a.m. at Hometown Veterinary Clinic.</p>		