

1. **Called to order at 7:35 a.m. by Vice President Ginny O’Harrow.**
 2. **Member Spotlight - Oconto Falls FFA Alumni presentation from Ken Harter and Abby Roskom**
 3. **Introductions and membership updates: (23 members Present)** Becky from (new business) The Main Course will be offering Take and Bake and catering. Bill from Packerland and Abrams Theater: Oklahoma is the next production (March 14-17 & 21-24), Pam and Bonnie from Senior Center and Home respite - senior center trying to host a vendor event on **May 25th**; cooking, homemade crafts, food items, etc. Raising money to update the downstairs, Dean Hess Oconto Falls School District - calendar on website for all the sports activities, etc, new middle school is progressing well - thanks for the community support. Bonnie - Machickanee ski club successfully held ski school at Oconto Falls Elementary, wasn’t able to do Abrams due to weather. (Bain Nordic) out of Green Bay gave a discount on old equipment and was then purchased and donated by an anonymous donor. Upcoming Ski Club events: **Sunday, April 14th** Spring Fling at Bavarian (details on facebook and website). Spring Clean-up will be **Saturday, April 20th. Saturday, February 17th** Moonlit hike, fire, trivia, fellowship. FFA Alumni - **Saturday, February 24th** of February Cornhole Tournament at the Blue Spruce, still taking teams. Jeannie Otto, Regional Manager for NWTC - long arm quilting machine available classes to learn and then use on your own. GED program, after hour access for students. Katie Jagileo, OEC - remember to move over and slow down in work zones. Trying out portable stop lights for work zones to better protect their staff when working. Carrie Hill, NewCAP focused on impoverished people and moving from crisis to helping into a stable and prosperous environment. Credit building, rental assistance, first time homebuyer programs. Ashley Lioness Club - meat raffle **Sunday, March 17th** at S&S, Angie Oconto Falls Ambulance and Community Garden - garden spaces are still available, contact members or find us on facebook. St. Anthony’s School Auction **April 6th** at 4pm.
 4. **Reports**
 - a. Secretary: minutes approved as sent
 - b. Treasurer: Chamber Bucks payout, lunch payout, memberships coming in.
 - c. Communications (website, newsletter, welcome signs, calendar, social media): working on website updates, have done internal training to update - let us know if there are any
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changes. Thanks to Joan for her help with our newsletter, if there's anything you'd like to have in the newsletter, get it to the chamber email. Welcome signs and facebook all come from the event calendar, please pass it on to us.

- d. Membership - renewals have been sent out, please send them back in if you haven't yet.
 - i. Chamber Bucks - dollar for dollar program. Purchase bucks through us and you can use it through local businesses that accept them. Listing of businesses that accept bucks is on the website and will be updated. Contact us if you're interested in participating.
- e. City Administrator: Fire Station construction completed sheetrock, plastering and painting. Should be done by the end of May, will move in during June, possible open house in July. Street projects for 2025 - Columbia street to add a sidewalk for better school access. Still recruiting lifeguards and supervisors, and open for ideas for parks and recreation grant opportunities.

5. Events

- a. Concerts - volunteer sign up is going around
 - i. Friday, June 28th: Adam Trask - Classic Rock
 - ii. Friday, July 26th: Breakfast Club - 80's Pop
 - iii. Friday, August 16th: The Drive West Band - Rock, R&B and Country
- b. Leadership Oconto County - Ashley presented February focus was education. Toured Oconto Falls and Lena Schools, NWTC, had a school board panel. Heading to Madison for the State Government trip in March to visit local representatives/senators, tour the capitol. Time to start thinking about the next class year.
- c. Community events - **May 18th** Golf Outing at The Patriot for Operation Zero; veteran suicide prevention. Goal is to raise enough money to give two service dogs to members that need them. Contact Angie through Facebook: Patriot Golf Club.

6. Unfinished Business

- a. Membership Survey - sent out a survey with some responses, please respond. It will close February 29th. Details in email and newsletter.
- b. Chamber Phone - Scott provided that we will be getting the same number back. It will automatically direct you to the person you're looking for/voicemail box. Will be through Nsight \$10.95/month.

7. New Business

- a. Social Event: Thursday, April 11th 6 p.m.- 8 p.m. at The Antique: just a get together for networking, socializing, low-pressure event.

Next Meeting:

**Thursday, March 21, *noon* hosted by NWTC Oconto Falls,
held at the NWTC Regional Learning Center, 649 Jackson Street, Oconto Falls**