

Chamber of Commerce Meeting March 20, 2017

Meeting was moved to April's Country Kitchen-

Special guest Jason Peoples spoke first- He talked about a Community Education Grant the school is applying for. He gave an overview of the proposed plan and what was needed to secure the grant. He said that the project would be put in place even if they do not get the grant. He was looking for businesses to partner and commit to some financial aide to assist in securing the grant. He is going to continue to search for more support in the community but all efforts are appreciated. Paula from Century Bank felt the bank would also contribute and would pursue it. Christy McMillan made a motion to be a back-up contributor after he has tried other avenues. If no one else steps to the plate to help with the requirements of the grant the chamber will kick in. This was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Pat Cadle -passed

Minutes from Feb. meeting- Dan Leaky asked if there were any questions or concerns as he had received some questions from the emailed minutes- no response- Pat Cadle made a motion to approve minute 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kenny Koch passed

Treasures report given by Gary Chaney motion to approve and 2<sup>nd</sup>- passed

Pastor Reed came to meeting to apologize for the mix up on the meeting date and assured us he was still interested in our meeting at the church. We all make mistakes- apology accepted.

Old Business- Banquet- everyone loved the food

New Business- Dan has established a new facebook page for the chamber already has over 100 likes – Please email Dan Leaky with member business and events and he will put it on the facebook page [5thdayaqua@gamil.com](mailto:5thdayaqua@gamil.com)

Paula recommended a business card exchange for in the future so that we are more connected and can refer consumers to one another easier and have info at our fingertips.

Members-

Dan Leaky- a Kids Expo will be held at New Towne Mall on Sunday May 21 at 2pm his business will be participating  
His daughter enjoyed the banquet

Pat Cadle- Caito Foods is leaving the industrial park and he is looking at other businesses to fill the space- he has met with commissioners and they are working on a plan- also they have put some resources in place for helping to get employment for the displaced workers. There is also a new business planning to come to the industrial park in another location at the park site

Roger Seitz- He s proud to announce that his idea for a foundation is finally coming together and all moneys raised will stay local to help our community and it's citizens

Michael Wise- announced that the Newcomerstown News had been purchased by Gatehouse and before the week was out Gatehouse had been purchased by a Japanese company. He has done research and he fears doom and gloom are on the horizon for the small offices in the organization

Heather Wells- nothing

Cody- The library has purchased the old Nationwide insurance building and has had it torn down. This gives the library more parking and they are hoping by grading the lot and giving it a better drainage slope that they can get rid of the water problem in the basement of the annex building

Kenny Koch- Drivers classed started in Dec he is also looking to start with impaired driving demonstrations in the near future- it will be a driving course while wearing impaired driving glasses to simulate driving under the influence

Jeff Neidig- nothing

Gary Chaney- Rotary will be having their blood screening draw on April 1<sup>st</sup>. Don't forget to fast the night before

Janet- nothing

Christy McMillan- southeast publications is proud to announce that we have a new printer so that our advertiser's and our public will get improved quality – they have a full schedule of books to produce for this year and things are looking great

Pat made a motion to adjourn