

Minutes from the Newcomerstown Chamber Meeting January 16, 2017
meeting held at Dick's Restaurant at noon

Pat Cadle called the meeting to order
No minutes from the last meeting
Treasure report- No Treasurers report

Discussion on First Night activities and the need for a change in acts at the various venues. Also, the need to do some fund raising for the fireworks.

Pat Cadle presented his resignation, his job as Mayor is taking up much of his time. A motion was made by Marlene Ross and seconded by Roger Seitz to accept Pats resignation. Everyone agreed, motion passed. Pat announced that Dan Leakey from 5th Day Aqua was willing to accept the position of Chamber President. Motion was made by Jeff Neidig and seconded by Marlene Ross to approve Dan as President, everyone agreed and motion passed.

Discussed Awards Banquet to be held in March. Idea for theme is "A Taste of Newcomerstown". Addition discussion and ideas will be needed.

Jeff Neidig told the Chamber about the upcoming "Conference of Excellence" being presented by Leadership Tuscarawas at Kent State Tuscarawas Founder's Hall Auditorium. The conference will be held Friday, March 10, starting at 8:00 AM. Todd Gongwer, author of the book "Lead... for God's Sake" will be the featured speaker. Leadership Tuscarawas is looking for sponsors to help with the cost. A motion was made by Denny Ross and second by Dan Leakey to purchase 2 tickets which will be available to Chamber Members who would like to attend.

Dan Leakey wanted to thank Roger Seitz for getting Boltz Family Farm products into Baker's IGA.

Jeff – Medi Wise is celebrating 10 years in Newcomerstown this year. They will be having several promotions and events throughout the year.

Marlene – Wanted to thank Michael Wise for the job he is doing at the Newcomerstown News.

Heather – Announced that fire calls were down by 20 for 2016. The Village Council has passed a new law that if a fire happens in the Village, the Village will hold the insurance check until the property is repaired or demolished. It was also mentioned that you can no longer board up windows with plywood. NERS looked at a 3 year ladder truck, their old one is 27 years old. A new ladder truck will cost around One million dollars and they may need a new station to accommodate the larger size of a more modern truck.

Dan – Had an amazing year, better than expected. He would like to get a mobile unit started.

Roger – Would like to get the Newcomerstown Foundation up and running.

Janet – Reported that Toys for Local Tot served approx. 60 kids including one family from Coshocton County who lost everything, including their Christmas gifts in a fire. Noted that funds didn't come in to well this year and may need to do a fundraiser for that also.

Michael – News is doing fine, he hasn't destroyed it yet!

Pat – Couldn't have ask for a better 1st year as Mayor. Working on some zoning laws for 2017, not going for large changes all at once. Have not found a map of the Storm Sewers, will be working on that. Also, plans to build a Sally Port for the jail to allow for a more secure transfer from car to jail. There is also a new camera system for security.

Jeff- Also mentioned that Marcus Goodwin had received his Eagle Scout Badge for his work on the Bicycle and walking trail. He placed mile markers on the trail. Scouts from Gnadenhutten are doing Eagle scout work by making repairs at the Pioneer Cemetery and making Directional signs for the Village pointing out buildings and sites.

Denny – asked Heather about the Boat Ramp. She said they are still working on it.

Denny also reported that the Veteran's had done a couple of Funerals last month and traveled to Columbus to Post the Colors at a State Fair convention. He mentioned Wendy's remodeling project and that Community Hospice is building a monument dedicated to Veterans at Hospice House in New Philadelphia.

Motion to adjourn by Jeff and second by Denny.