

Newcomerstown Chamber of Commerce
Meeting Minutes
February 19, 2018
Location: Cy Young Lanes

Members Present: Wesley Harding, Sarita Harding, Gary Chaney, Janet Chaney, Roger Seitz, Paulla Emery, Marlene Ross, Denny Ross, Christy McMillen, Dan Leakey, Michael Wise, Jeff Neidig, and Heather M. Stein Wells

Guests Present: None

Topic	Discussion	Action
	The meeting was called to order by President Dan Leakey	12:00 p.m.
Treasure's Report	Paulla stated that she will give a monthly treasure's report and will reconcile the account every month. Paulla would like to attach this report to the monthly meeting minutes so that members will have time to review prior to the next month's meeting. Gary reported that membership dues are coming in and read the bills that were paid from the checking account along with the deposits that were made. The remaining balance while checks are clearing is \$1,443.28. <u>Motion</u> Marlene made a motion to accept the treasure's report. Roger seconded the motion, and all approved.	
Meeting Minutes	Meeting minutes were e-mailed to all members after the January meeting. Members were asked if they were receiving the minutes as well as other correspondence. If not, members were asked to verify that the proper e-mail address was on file.	
Banquet Discussion	A discussion was held about the annual Chamber Banquet. Since newly elected officers were just put into place, members were asked that due to time constraints if the banquet date could possibly be changed to Thursday, March 29, 2018 so that proper planning could take place. There was also a discussion on the theme of the banquet, and all members agreed that the theme "All Aboard," a railroad theme, would be used.	Banquet date set for Thursday, March 29, 2018 at the David Barber Civic Center with an "All Aboard" theme.
Budget Discussion	A discussion was held about an annual budget. This year's budget will be based on last year's numbers.	Paulla is working on the 2018 budget.
Newspaper Ad Discussion	A discussion was held about the Chamber sponsoring a weekly ad in the Newcomerstown News that will promote Chamber Members.	Dan is going to contact the Newcomerstown News to verify pricing.
Chamber Sign Discussion	A brief discussion was held about the sign on Coshocton County Road 9 at the edge of town. The question was asked if the Chamber could construct a second sign at the other end of town, and if so, how businesses are placed on this sign, and where can the sign be located.	Members were going to look for an appropriate and legal place to construct this sign.
Christmas Parade	Paulla reported that there is a Christmas Parade meeting once a month to properly organize the Chamber Christmas Parade. The parade is scheduled for Saturday, December 8, 2018 with line-up at noon and the parade commencing at 1:00 p.m. The line-up entrance will be on Beaver Street. She is also researching the vendor's room for this year. There were 55 units in the 2017 parade.	
Business Reports	<u>Baker's I.G.A.</u> Baker's I.G.A. of Newcomerstown received the International Retailer of the Year Award. Congratulations to Roger and	

	<p>Baker's I.G.A.! Roger also discussed The Gateway to Fall Festival which will be held on Saturday, August 18, 2018. One of the fund-raisers includes an on-line auction. Committee members are gathering donations for this auction. Many plans are underway.</p> <p><u>The Silkworm Flowers & Gifts, L.L.C.</u> Recently purchased by Heather Wells. Hoping to have an open house when the weather is better outside.</p> <p><u>Arts Newcomerstown</u> Michael Wise is developing a visual arts, performing arts, and creative writing center for all to enjoy. He discussed some of the upcoming plans and is excited to be launching this program!</p> <p><u>Cy Young Festival</u> Plans for the Cy Young Festival are underway, and Janet reported that they are confirming the Cy Young Award winner that will be headlining the festival.</p> <p><u>Denny Ross</u> Denny wanted to thank Roger and Baker's I.G.A. for allowing the Veterans to use the store for the many fund-raising activities. He also reported that the annual Commander's Banquet is coming up.</p> <p><u>Medi-Wise Pharmacy</u> Jeff reported that flu shots are available. Be wise and get one if you have not done so already!</p> <p><u>Southeast Publications</u> Christy reported that the community guides are out and distributed.</p> <p>Heather thanked Paulla and Century National Bank for hosting a counterfeit money detection class at the David Barber Civic Center. Many businesses attended this very informational session. Paulla also distributed books to these businesses so that they could share the information with employees that were unable to attend and so that the business could offer training to new hires.</p>	
Adjournment	<p><u>Motion</u> Denny made a motion and all members were in favor to adjourn the meeting. The next monthly meeting will be Monday, March 19, 2018.</p>	1:02 p.m.