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#### **Executive Board**

President: Bob Noel State Farm Insurance Agency

Vice President: Barbara Jones SERVPRO of Cape May County & Cumberland Counties

Secretary: Andrea Morsello Sturdy Savings Bank

Treasurer: Mary Farrell Ocean First Bank

**Board of Directors:** 

**Charlie Raff** Raff's Recycling Corp.

Nancy Sittineri Middle Township Economic Development

Lynn Trocky Fletcher & Martin Antique & Collectibles

**Stephanie Thomas** Sunshine Dentistry

Debbie Mooers Grassy Sound Marina

Karl Hughes Bucket Brigade Brewery

Mike Spirito Surf Electrical Services **Board Meeting Minutes September 26, 2019** 

## CALL TO ORDER:

Bob called to order the regular meeting of the Middle Township Chamber Board at 5:35 pm. Meeting was held at the ground floor conference room, Bob Noel State Farm.

**<u>Roll Call:</u>** The Board Members who were present for this meeting are marked  $\checkmark$ .

Bob Noel Charlie Raff Barbara Jones Stephanie Thomas Lynn Trocky Mary Farrell Nancy Sittineri Debbie Mooers Andrea Morsello Mike Spirito Karl Hughes

#### SECRETARY'S REPORT: Board members received the minutes via email. Motion was made to accept minutes and corrected minutes– Stephanie 1st, Lynn 2nd, all in favor.

# TREASURER'S REPORT:

No major changes in account balance. Rachell reported accounts according to Quickbooks Operating & Savings: \$30,823.40 Charlie 1st and Stephanie 2<sup>nd</sup>, all approved treasurer's report.

**<u>CORRESPONDENCE</u>**: Lower Township invitation to their Installation. Board member Lynn Trocky will be in attendance.

## NEW MEMBER APPLICATION: None.

# **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

- Membership Recruitment No new report
- Revenue Generation –No new report

• Member Mixers and Socials –Rachell updated the board on the Halloween Social. Surf Electrical Services & SERVPRO are sponsoring this event. Board has agreed on purchasing appetizer plates from George's and items for gift baskets.

- Membership Education No set meeting date
- Public Policy Barbara will be attending a legislative meeting on October 2<sup>nd</sup> and will be updating the board.

Debbie shared the details on the recent Offshore Wind field hearing where the subcommittee on energy and mineral resources examined the benefits and potential challenges for this industry.

• Budget/ Finance/ Audit - No set meeting date

# **OLD BUSINESS:**`

- Official Position regarding Hotel Proposal Bob shared the stats of the recent email survey. 189 emails were sent, and 90% of the 52 respondents who participated in the survey were in favor of the zoning change.
  - Board member and Grassy Sound Marina owner Debbie Mooers apprised the board of the Marina's current situation. She discussed the hurdles Grassy Sound

has been facing with the Home Owners Association and the Township.

The Board agrees to further research on the matter for the Chamber to be able to officially take a position. President Bob Noel and Vice President Barbara Jones will make arrangements to speak to Mayor Tim Donohue to inquire on the matter further. Bob and Barbara will keep the Board informed so that the Chamber as a whole can officially take a position.

- Gaming License Status- Rachell informed the Board that the license is still pending and that nothing has been heard back yet from the application.
- Harvest Festival Fund Raiser and Promotion: Since we do not have the license yet, we will only be presenting members' brochures and giving away Chamber shopping bags at the event.
- Candidates Forum Rachell updated the Board on the status of the candidates, who are attending and the promotion.
  - Nancy & Lynn will be managing the registration table during the event.
  - Public Policy Committee has agreed not to request the services of the League of Women's voters. Board was informed.
  - Bob Noel will be the EMCEE for the event. The idea is to keep the forum light.
  - The School Board candidates will be invited but not required to speak.
- Membership Blitz Date No Set Date

\*All Board Members present approved of the above items discussed.

#### **OTHERS**:

- Board Member Lynn Trocky inquired about the Chamber's marketing contract with Rachell Diaz. The board renewed the contract in April 2019 and it will end on April 16, 2020.
- There will be no Board Meeting for the month of October since we are having 3 events. The next Board Meeting will be in November.

## **ADJOURNMENT:**

Official Meeting was adjourned at 6:42 pm