Wilbur Chamber Minutes

October 13, 2026 Held at the Wilbur Senior Center at noon

Attending: Shari Miller, Connie Smoldon, Margie Watson, Cassidy Kruse (Profleet), Julie Hill, Ellen Young, Monica Oakes, Charlene Kron, Frank Stedman

Minutes from 9/22/2026 to be reviewed at next meeting

Treasurer's Report for September by Monica: Balance $11,026.33. Available $4,914.55. She reported receiving in October the Town of Wilbur reimbursement check for advertising from Tourism fund in the amount of $1,524.95 (including estimated figures for Halloween advertising and Festival of Lights).

Old Business:

Chamber sponsored Business Trick or Treat is 10/30 from 3-5. Last year we had 32 participants along Main. Ellen reported we had 26 participants so far. Julie will be doing article about all the Halloween events.

Shari Miller of Lincoln EDC reported on the Taste of Lincoln County event on 10/21 from 5 – 7pm at the Memorial Hall in Davenport. It will bring together restaurants/food vendors from around the county for sampling including 2 alcohol establishments. Event is 21 and up. Limit of 100 attendees. Reservations are recommended.

New Business:

Kudos for Frank Stedman for being recognized with the Miles Turnbull award for 2026 from WNPA (Washington Newspaper Publishers Association. He talked about starting with the Wilbur Register in 1959 and buying it in 1985.

Shari Miller has exciting opportunity for a grant from Innova that would go to a local deserving nonprofit to be selected. Everyone can upload a picture of a favorite item/place and post saying from Lincoln County. Shari also is working on a Shop Local November Raffle with gift card. People can enter by making purchase locally and emailing copy of receipt to Shari. No limit on number of receipts to enter.

Charlene Kron with the Wilbur Senior Center and Hesseltine Library announced the Library is holding a book signing by local author Cheyenne Herrington on Friday 10/16 at 4:30pm. Features her book, Screamish Delights. She will be selling her book there. They will have another author coming in January, Hank Buckman. Also Senior Center has a new Facebook page. Wilbur Senior Center.

The Bylaws have been reviewed at several prior meetings and a couple changes have been recommended to correct errors from 2021 update and additions from 2026. Ellen asked if anyone at today's meeting had any more corrections/additions. None were given. The group will vote at next meeting to accept the new corrected bylaws.

Monica suggested that minutes and treasurer reports be added to the Wilbur Chamber website. All present agreed as we have nothing to hide. Ellen & Michol spoke about emailing out the minutes.

Minutes taken by fill-in secretary, Monica Oakes