

Official Minutes of the Chaffee Chamber of Commerce  
March 14, 2007

President, Pete Dooley, called meeting to order at 12:15 PM at Chaffee Elementary School who sponsored the dinner. Thanks! Minutes were accepted as read with a motion by HB Rice.

Treasurer's report was given by Linda Yarbrow. Starting Balance was \$2840.48. Check to Cape Road Runners for \$118.00. There were deposits of \$490.00 for 10 membership dues. Ending balance is \$3212.48. We have a scholarship obligation of \$500. Alan Pendergrass made a motion to accept the treasurer's report, seconded and motion passed.

Centennial Fund report: \$7155.78 in the checking account. \$9458.31 in the 1 yr CD.

Secretary's report: The following were attendance: Pete Dooley, President, Brandon Pylate, Vice President, Alan Pendergrass, Secretary, Linda Yarbrow, Treasurer, Michelle Williams, Neil Glass, Linda Dowd, Rhonda Wessel, H.B. Rice, Leslie Horman and Andrea Dirnberger.

Pre-Meeting: Rhonda Wessel was asked to speak to the elementary children about what the Chamber does and also introduced the members to them.

Old Business:

Ribbon Cuttings: Tranquil Waters hopefully in the next few weeks and also hope to have Larry's at the same time. No news on the Salvation Army.

Christmas Displays: Creative Displays is the vendor of Christmas Lights. HB Rice suggested we go to their website and see if there are any designs that we would be interested in adding. Also Linda Dowd mentioned that older displays we had were on top of the Historical Society. There was also some discussion of working with Oran if we had extra pieces.

NEW BUSINESS:

Tree Planting: Set for March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2007. Meet at High School to maintain previous planting. We will be concentrating on new planting at the elementary. FBLA helps. Alan Pendergrass made a motion to allot \$200 for trees and other expenses. Motioned seconded and passed.

Old Fashion Days/ Pancake Breakfast: Linda Dowd informed the chamber that Old Fashion Days has been canceled. There was discussion of still having the pancake breakfast. HB Rice made a motion to table the idea until the next meeting. Motioned seconded and passed.

Twappity Trails: HB Rice will head up project. Leslie Horman will help with sponsorships and Linda Dowd will help with publishing. Set for June 2<sup>nd</sup>. Alan Pendergrass made motion to keep the sponsorship and the entry fees the same as 2006. Motion seconded and passed.

University of Missouri extension classes: Pete Dooley received information from the extension office in Jackson about small business classes that are available. Through April and May there are classes about HR for Small Businesses. For more information contact Richard Proffer at 573-243-3581.

Missouri Big Link Loan Program: Ellen Brandom sent information about this loan program for small businesses. The local banks have information about this new program.

Farmers Market: HB Rice brought up the idea again. He has gotten some information about setting it up correctly with the state. This would take someone to oversee, as it is complicated to get the certifications necessary.

Membership Drive: As of March 14<sup>th</sup> we have 28 paid members.

Next meeting on April 11th, Wednesday at 12:00 noon at the Chaffee Museum.

Motion was made to adjourn was made by HB Rice and seconded. Motion passed.