

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

President, Pete Dooley, called meeting to order at 12:20 PM at the Chaffee High School Activity Center. Dinner was sponsored by the Chaffee Schools. Thanks! Minutes were accepted as written with a motion from Steve Seyer.

Treasurer's report was given by Linda Yarbrow. Starting Balance was \$3249.75. One deposit for one membership (Scheffer's) for \$35.00. A check was written to Display Sales Co for \$1180.00 for Christmas Lights. Leaving a balance of \$2104.75. Linda Dowd made a motion to accept the treasurer's report, seconded and motion passed. CD \$11,701.35. \$500 scholarship outstanding.

Centennial Fund report: Balance of \$5698.01 in the checking account.

Secretary's report: The following were attendance: Pete Dooley, President, Brandon Pylate, VP, Linda Yarbrow, Treasurer, Alan Pendergrass, Secretary, H.B. Rice, Sue Scheffer, Linda Dowd, Laura Estes, Rhonda Wessel, Ron Senciboy, Chief Jesse Chisum, Steve Seyer, Debbie Simmons, Jennifer Lynn, Mike Guethle, Pam Schultz, Andrea Horman, Leslie Horman, Betty Mirly, Martin Scheffer and Ken Latham. Guest attending were Aaron Horrell and Randy Dunn and Boo Parker from WarChild.

Old Business:

Ribbon Cuttings: This, That and Everything scheduled for 10:00 AM on 11/30/07 Friday. This is near Larry's. Scheffer Quality Meats. Decorative Concrete Plus. No news on either.

Residence of the Month: November Howard and Ruth Dunn of 402 S Main St.

Tax Bureau/Missouri Tax Id form: Needs to be filled out and returned by 9/08.

Helping Hands: Debbie Simmons reported that she had spoke with Kevin Teegarden and Debbie and Jennifer Lynn will chair this event which is no scheduled for 12/22. Arrangements have been made to use the VFW and also the school has agreed to provide a bus. There was discussion to have crafts while the different groups went out. Debbie Simmons made a motion to use \$100 from the Helping Hands fund for crafts. Motion seconded and passed. Alan Pendergrass will email the mailing list to Jennifer Lynn. Letters will be sent out to help increase the Helping Hands fund. We will do \$30.00 per child. Stops for shopping will be Dollar General, Salvation Army, Whitakers and C&C Flowers. Martin Scheffer was asked to be Santa Claus.

Christmas Lights: HB Rice reported that we will put the Christmas Lights up on November 24th at 9am and meet at the corner of Yoakum and Main near his office. He will contact the FBLA and confirm they will help again this year. He also reported we purchased 5 new displays for \$1180.00 and we have already received. Also we were contacted by AT&T about a grant for these types of lights so we are submitting that as well. This appears to be a referral from Ellen Brandom.

Christmas Parade: HB Rice reported that the parade will be December 1st at 1pm and again will start at the Headstart parking lot. The theme is Christmas Story Christmas. There was discussion about putting in the paper that we meant the MOVIE Christmas Story. Steve Seyer will organize the food at the end of the parade. We need lots of help for serving the hot dogs. Please meet about 11:00 to get things ready. Jennifer Lynn will arrange for 6 to 7 judges for the parade.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mural: Aaron Horrell made a presentation about painting a mural on the wall next to the steam engine mural. Paints and other supplies would be about \$500 and this labor of about 150 hours of painting would be about \$3500 so the project should be about \$4000. The mural would be a scene from Tywappity Lake. There was discussion about if we could use the wall and check it to make sure that the wall itself was in good condition to paint on. Alan Pendergrass made a motion to fund this project for \$4000 from the Centennial Checking Fund but only if the wall could be used. Motion seconded and passed. Alan Pendergrass also reported that there was a grant available for this and that it was a 50/50 match if approved so there could be funds from the grant. Also the group, War Child, who are maintaining the park had representatives at the meeting and they also might be interested in helping with this project.

Rhonda Wessel made a motion to have the Santa suit dry-cleaned. Motion seconded and passed.

Announcements:

Randy Dunn, War Child, introduced his group to the Chamber. War Child had been very active in raising money for all types of projects. They are currently 115 members strong. He mentioned they might also be interested in maintaining Circle Park. Alan Pendergrass will send an application for Chamber membership.

Next meeting on THURSDAY, December 13, 2007 at Chaffee City Hall at 12:00 noon and will be hosted by the City of Chaffee.

Motion was made to adjourn was made by Ron Senciboy and seconded. Motion passed.