

**Williamson Chamber of Commerce
Town Hall Complex Conference Room
July 22, 2015
Approved August 26, 2015**

PRESENT:

Officers: President Lorraine Lewis, Vice-President Jim Hoffman
Directors: Cynthia Baran, Sarah Jacobs, Elisa Knataitis, Dorothy Orr

WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER:

President Lewis called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

President Lewis led all in attendance in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

MAIL/COMMUNICATIONS:

Redeem Bethel Taste of Soul Community Festival - August 29, 2015
Exelon Generation - Ginna Nuclear Power Plant Hosts Community Information Night - August 4

APPROVAL OF PAST MINUTES

The minutes of June 24, 2015 having been previously distributed, were approved unanimously on a motion by Director Knataitis and seconded by Director Orr.

FINANCIAL REPORTS:

Daily Account

President Lewis presented the KeyBank Daily account statement and the Quickbooks reconciliation sheet ending 7/22/2015. The statement and reconciliation were approved on a motion by Director Orr and second by Director Baran.

GiftCheck Account

President Lewis also presented the Key Bank GiftCheck account statement and the QuickBooks reconciliation statement ending 7/22/2015. The statement and reconciliation were approved on a motion by Director Knataitis and second by Director Baran.

CHAMBER YEARLY PROJECT: POCKET PARK BY KINGS

Our fundraising goal of \$2,500.00 was raised on GoFundMe.com. The final amount was \$2650.00. President Lewis handed out a financial overview related to the project.

GoFundMe.com takes 5% of the donated funds which equaled \$132.50. WePay takes 2.9% plus \$.30 for each transaction which equaled \$90.65. The remaining total of funds given is \$2426.85.

Total raised off-line through donations is \$250.00. The final total is \$2,676.85. The quote from Grandpa's was \$2, 624.00.

President Lewis then discussed that if the Chamber donated \$500.00 to the project a bench and commemorative plaque could be purchased. Mike Orr, President of the Williamson BID, said that the BID and King's Auto would like to purchase the bench and it will look like the existing town benches except a smaller version. We accepted the offer with gratitude.

CHAMBER COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

Presented a Chamber Recognition Award to Davina McNaney in recognition of her personal determination, courage and strength in battling and conquering breast cancer and to acknowledge her bringing awareness about the disease through her 466 mile multi-state run.

Presented a Milestone Award to the Williamson Fire Co. #1 in recognition of 126 years of service to Williamson and surrounding Wayne County communities.

NEWS TO SHARE:

Director Knataitis gave an update on the national photo contest that Photo Graphic Services is entered in.

Vice President Hoffman gave a quick overview of a newspaper article about the Cornwall lakefront property in Pultneyville possibly turning into a nature preserve. The property has a total of two miles of trails through varying terrain. To accomplish the goal, the Genesee Land Trust has agreed to buy the property and make it a nature preserve, open to all. The trust has just launched a campaign to raise \$675,000 to purchase the land and make improvements to make it more accessible.

V.P. Hoffman also mentioned that Jim Hartsen of Williamson Ace Hardware had called Salvatore's Pizza and talked to them about possibly locating a Salvatore's in the old Cam's Pizzeria building. There may be some interest.

President Lewis mentioned a phone call she had with Kathy DiGuilio owner of the cobblestone garage. Mrs. DiGuilio stated that they had gone and looked at the building, realizing that it is in terrible shape, they will reduce the price to get it sold.

NEXT MEETING:

The next Chamber meeting will take place on Wednesday, August 26, 2015 in the Williamson Town Hall Complex Conference Room at 7:00 PM.

ADJOURNMENT:

On a motion by Director Jacobs and second by Director Orr with all in agreement, President Lewis declared the meeting adjourned at 7:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted
Lorraine Lewis, President
August 16, 2015