

August 22nd, 2017

Dinner Meeting

Minutes

Cromwell Manor

Catered by Truly Scrumptious

From the Board: Joseph Dvash; Plaza Marquee, Eileen Hartmann; Cromwell Manor, Luann Richards; Creative Gifts, Eric Noll; The Elizabeth Collection, Deanne Brady; New York Eyewear, Stacey Lyle; Firthcliffe Technologies, Rich Massimi; Vails Gate Cleaners,

Chamber Members and Guests: Mary Heed; Haven Homes LLC, Annie Mooradian; Puppy Paws, Linda & Fred Lewis; Firthcliffe Technologies, Susanne Vandrak & Mary Lou Carolan; Cornwall Public Library, Ryan Coakley; Merrill Lynch, Bernadette Montana & Thomas Lindemann; Brid's Closet, Isai Lopez, Steve Santonja; Allstate Insurance, Anthony Davidowitz; Storm King Art Center, Maureen Kuilan; Lost Level Games, Jill O'Brien; HH Nature Museum, Miriam & Wayne Yeoman; USANA, Scot & Amy Teresi; Right at Home, Michael Summerfield; Cornwall Alliance, Jennifer Critelli; About Face, Brian Baird; The Effective Way, Guthrie Cook; New York Life, Jackie Gaillard; McBride Gaillard Law, Andrew Calamari; Homestead Funding, Nancy Proyect; Cornwall Economic Development Committee

New Members

Adaptive Environmental Consulting of New York, LLC
Kona Ice of Orange County
USANA

Guest Speaker

Brian Baird of Effective Way spoke of turning your business around thru employee engagement & Corporate Culture. The benefits of holding on to employees

Nancy Proyect from The Cornwall Economic Development Committee introduced the conception idea for the Cornwall Rising Project (Bridge Street) to address concerns and ideas.

New Business:

- Financials - Balance is \$25541.000 and we have 167 members
- Bidding on Chamber Jobs example printing, advertising, insurance should be shared among chamber members when possible
- Orange County Arts Council requested we send a letter in support of a grant they have applied for. A letter will be written by Eileen and mailed on Chamber letterhead by Stacey.
- We need volunteers to man the Chamber Tent at New Windsor Community Day, if you volunteer you can display your business information along with Chamber info for the duration of volunteer time.
- Volunteers are needed for the Fall Festival, directing vendors to their spots, selling raffle

tickets at the Chamber Table etc.

- Board approved a budget of up to \$500 for the Cornwall Spooktacular and up to \$500 in Corn Stalks decoration.

Old Business, Continuing Business

- Committee Chairpersons updated on each committee --
- Car Show -Luann-Sunday Sept 3rd, sponsors, trophies and food trucks lined up, still looking for vendors.
- Holiday Committee- Eileen- vote needed to spend up to \$3500 for the Tree Lighting Festivities Motion made by Deanne, 2nd by Jill passed 24/0 Christmas Trees will be sold to Chamber Members for \$15.00 with the Chamber picking up the balance. Main Street and Hudson Street Chamber members are encouraged to purchase one (but no more than 2) for their place of business. They will go on sale from Sept. 15th to Oct. 15th with deliver Nov. 25th. Spooktacular will be Sat. Oct 28th from 1p-4p. Tree Lighting Festivities will be Sunday Dec. 3rd from 2:30p to 6:30p
- Sponsorship & Membership Committee- 1Deanne-67 members
- Music at the Park- Joe- This event had no rain dates and broke even. Thank you to all the sponsors for a wonderful event
- Fall Festival- Rich- new events for children, need volunteers

Correspondence:

Roll/Introduction

Thank you Eileen for hosting us at Cromwell Manor and to Truly Scrumptious for a delicious meal.

Respectfully submitted,

Luann Richards

Recording Secretary, GCCC