February 27th, 2018 Monthly Meeting Minutes

Munger Cottage

From the Board:  Joseph Dvash; Plaza Marquee, Luann Richards; Creative Gifts, Stacey Lyle; Firthcliffe Technologies, Ryan Coakley; Merrill Lynch, Deanne Brady; New York Eyewear, Lois Raymond; Sew Scents Gifts, Mary Lou Carolan; Cornwall Library, Wynn Gold; Auric, Rich Massimi; Vails Gate Cleaners

Chamber Members:  Tony Burgess; Cornwall Leadership Institute, Helen Bunt; Butterhill Day School, Barbara DeAngelis; Bonnie Brae Soap, Star Walters; Quality Glass Works, Christine Dorsey; Your Ideal Body, Doug Land; Michael Summerfield, Town Board Member; Dick Randazzo, Town Supervisor; Lynn Pebbles, Studio 208; Vanessa, Walden Savings Bank; Doreen, Cafe Richeisto; Spencer Fern; Bank of America, Howard Lane; Farm Family Insurance

Guests: Kevin Hines; County Legislature, Mike Hodge; Berkshire Hathaway

New Members
Emergency One
Frozen Ropes
Bank of America
Riverbank Historic House Museum

Guest Speaker
Kevin Hines- District 12 Orange County Legislator gave us good news that Cornwall was awarded $79,000 more in sales tax revenue from the County. $10 Million dollars more in Sales Tax revenue was collected in the County last year. Valley View Nursing Home has $47 million in reserve so that is solvent. County received $1.6 million from the new casino that opened.

Member Spotlight
Michael Summerfield-Cornwall Town Board Member is the liaison for the Town Board to the Chamber. Spoke of parking options that the Chamber should consider for Main Street businesses. Also told us of the results of the Town's survey. Also the Verizon Building is willing to beautify their building to any recommendations town or chamber is willing to submit.

New Business:

- Financials - $19,839.39
- Amendment to By-Laws- Member need to volunteer 2 hours per year to pay a $75.00 yearly membership or $100.00 Membership fee for no volunteer time. Additional fee will start with 2019 Membership
- Current Membership dues are due Feb. 28th, 2018 to be included in the Member Directory
- Membership Directory Ads are available. 6 full color ads are available for $100. 12 black and white ads are available for $50.00 each. A question was asked as to whether the Directories were put to bid among the Chamber members. They were, The Cornwall Local
and Auric submitted bids. Auric submitted the lowest bid and The Cornwall Local removed their bid.

- A Chamber survey will be send out next week, concerning Monthly Meeting formats, once the results are reviewed we will discuss the format for future chamber meetings.
- Chamber will have a table at the RiverFest on June 2nd. Need volunteers from 10am to 6pm
- Assemblyman James Skoufis is planning a Blood Drive on April 9th from 12p to 5p in conjunction with the New York Blood Bank. It will be held in the Chester Shoprite parking lot.

**Old Business, Continuing Business**

- Committee Updates- Sponsorship Committee- Joe, 6 Platinum sponsors and 4 new members
- Art Festival- Mary Lou, will have an update for the April meeting
- Golf Tournament- Ryan, Monday May 14th, to be held at Storm King Golf Course from 9am through Dinner. $125 per person, $400 per 4some. 12 Golfers have already signed up.
- Holiday Committee- Eileen, July 4th, need ideas and volunteers
- Car Show- Luann, Sept 2nd Rain date 3rd
- Music at the Park- Joe, June 10th to Aug 12th, 20 sponsors are need @ $250 per sponsor, free to the public
- Recycle Day- Stacey, June 9th, need Traffic control volunteers
- Fall Festival- Rich, Sept 23rd biggest fund raiser for the chamber so fare 15 vendors have signed up.
- Jr. Chamber- Deanne,
- Business Development & Support- Eileen, Attract new business work with West Point, Woodbury and the Art Center to promote Cornwall
- Scholarship- Gary

**Correspondence:**

$500 to RiverFest for bus sponsorship

$100 to Boy Scout Troop 118 Pancake Breakfast Ad

**Roll/Introduction**

Thank you all for attending,

Respectfully submitted,

Luann Richards

Recording Secretary, GCCC