

**November 22, 2016**

**Dinner Meeting**

**Minutes**

**The Trestle**

**From the Board:** Stacey Lyle; Firthcliffe Technologies, Gary Smith; Rank & Smith, Joseph Dvash; Plaza Marquee, Eileen Hartmann; Cromwell Manor, Luann Richards; Creative Gifts, Rich Massimi; Vails Gate Cleaners, Wynn Gold; Auric Information Packaging; Angela Calabro; Giftworks

**Chamber Members and Guests:** Heidi Schessler; Encore, Ryan Coakley; Merrill Lynch, Tony Burgess; Cornwall Leadership, Annie Mooradian; Puppy Paws, Eric Noll & Elizabeth Moore; Elizabeth Collection, Lynn Beesecker; L.A. Beesecker, Linda & Fred Lewis; Firthcliffe Technologies, Manuela Mocan; Deanne Brady; New York Eyewear, Lois Raymond; Sew Scents Candles & Gifts, Bernadette Montana & Thomas Lindemann, Brid's Closet; Kayla Corona Gypsy Bird's Soap&Candle Shoppe; Michael Summerfield; Cornwall Alliance; Doreen Keyer, Cafe Richiesto; Dan Mahoney, Safe & Sound; Joe Gill, The Cornwall Local; Howard Protter, Jacobowitz & Gehrts; Dyanna Rettig, Bodies in Balance; Maurenn Kuinlan, Lost Level Games; David Hayes-Cohen, FCC Gallery; Jackie Gaillard, McBride & Gaillard Law; Helen Bunt, Butterhill Day School

**Member Spotlight**

Howard Protter- Jacobowitz & Gubits LLP New office in New Windsor

Rich- Good Evening and Introduced Katrina Manager of the Trestle. Katrina will be owner as of Monday

Stacey passed out Ballots to elect 3 Directors

**New Business:**

- Financials - Gary Smith Balance is \$22554.00 Last year at this time was approx. \$30000.00 Final Statement for the Fall Festival yielded \$14000.00 Spent on Community Activities \$8765.00
- New Chamber by Law Approval was tabled by membership, Motion by Wynn second by Helen to give membership required at least one month to review new bylaws. New revised bylaws will be sent to membership and will be available on Members Only Facebook page for review. Any comments should be sent in writing by next board meeting.
- Election results were announced, Wynn, Eric and Deanne are the New Directors
- Eileen Updated on Holiday Festivities announcing Randy and Mary Clark will be Tree Lighting Honorees this year. Other Festivities will include Santa Land and the Carriage Rides from 3p to 5p. The Tree Lighting Ceremony will start at 5p with the introduction of the Clark's. A DJ will be providing a sound system. Volunteers are needed and a signup sheet is available. A motion to approve the budget for the Holiday Festivities was 1<sup>st</sup> by Dan and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Lois and was approved unanimously by those in attendance.
- The Cornwall Public Library has Focus Groups each month, the next group meets Monday Dec. 5<sup>th</sup> with LeBerge Funding on How to get funding for your group's projects.

- Membership voted to accept New Board of Directors with one vote cast by the Recording Secretary and one vote cast by Lynn Beesecker
- Membership Dues will stay at \$75.00 for the year
- Monthly Dinner Meetings will stay at \$22.00

#### **Old Business**

- Chamber Holiday Party will be held at Caldwell House, December 13<sup>th</sup> from 6-9 p.m. Henderson & Osinski will be playing live music, and chamber is paying them \$250.00 to play for 3 hours. Truly Scrumptious Catering will be catering the event. A buffet dinner will be available at \$30.00 person, members will pay \$22.00 for the first 2 guests each then \$30.00 for each after. The Holiday Party is limited to 60 people not 75, an email will be sent in the next week for members to sign up.
- Joe thanked Jackie Gaillard for all her pro bono work on the new bylaws

#### **Correspondence:**

- Storm King Engine \$500 for New Year's Eve Ball. Chamber will ask for recognition in a form of sponsorship
- Highland Engine \$250 for their Holiday Festivities

#### **Roll/Introduction**

Thank you to the staff of The Trestle for hosting our dinner meeting and congrats & good luck to Katrina

Respectfully submitted,

Luann Richards

Recording Secretary, GCCC