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## Anthony Chamber of Commerce

### Board of Directors Minutes

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October 21, 2009

A regular meeting of the Anthony Chamber of Commerce was held on October 21, 2009, at Smokehouse Café & Supper Club. Board of Directors present was Bryant Anderson, Vicky Knapic, Karen Younce, J.D. Hays, Judy Brummer and Gwen Warner. Absent were Tim Gates, Mary Hixson and Lori Allen.

President, Bryant Anderson called the meeting to order at 12:10 p.m. Minutes of the previous meeting of October 7, 2009 were presented and approved as printed by motion from Karen Younce, seconded by J.D. Hays. Motion Carried.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS

- ❑ **Veterans Day** – Gwen reported that the Veterans Day Committee will meet the Chamber office tomorrow at 5 p.m. and anyone wishing to attend is welcome.
- ❑ **Christmas Parade** – The Christmas Parade will be November 27, 2009 with lineup beginning at Memorial Park (west) at 4:30 p.m. Santa will come in on the fire truck at 6 p.m. The Anthony Lions Club will give out candy to the children at the Municipal Hall after the parade.
- ❑ **Sunflower Arts & Crafts Show** – Gwen reported that registrations are coming in pretty good for the upcoming Sunflower Arts & Crafts Show. At this time a committee has been formed by Vicky Knapic to provide concessions for the show. Gwen also reminded those present is that we will probably need a little help in setting up for the show.
- ❑ **Retail Report & Merchants Christmas Open House** – Karen Younce reported that on November 15 various stores will be open with special hours for the Merchants Christmas Open House. She said that this is a good time to see what is coming out for Christmas. Also, the Anthony Medical Center is having a Chocolate Dreams, which is a contest and also a tasting. The event will be held at the Kanza Bank Hospitality Room. The Candy Cane Wishes promotion is coming along very well and if the Transient Guest Tax Committee funds the retail committee request three drawings will be held for a total of \$2,000.
- ❑ **Nominating Committee Announces Election Results** – Bryant Anderson announced that the following persons received the most votes in this year's election for Anthony Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors.
  - Karen Younce            The Perfect Touch
  - Vicky Knapic            KANZA Bank
  - John GaffneyAlbright & Gaffney, Chartered

President Anderson thanked the nominating committee for their work and stated that this committee will be coming back next meeting with a slate of officers for 2010 for the boards consideration and approval.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- President Anderson stated that he had tried several times to make contact with Tim Gates to find out why he had been unable to attend any meeting this year. Since there has been no response to any of Bryant's attempts he will consider finding a replacement for his position.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

- 1) **Approve New Member** – A motion was made by Vicky Knapic, seconded by Ron Poor to approve Harper County Herald (Shawn & Kate Catlin) as a new member. Motion Carried.
- 2) **Christmas Home Decorating Contest** – Gwen asked the board what their thoughts were on the Christmas Home Decorating Contest. In the past few years there have not been very many homeowners participating. After some discussion it was recommended by Vicky Knapic that we consider having a business decorating contest. Gwen will approach the city commissioners with this idea on Monday for their consideration. We will also ask the Historical Museum employees if they would like to provide cookies and coffee and ask Delsa and J.D. Hays if they would provide the bus rides around town to see the lights.
- 3) **Anthony Ministerial Letter** – A letter was received from the Anthony Ministerial Association that informed us of the Community Service Fund. Those who are helped with this fund are given Anthony Bucks to be redeemed at our local merchants. If you know of anyone in need you can notify the association.
- 4) **Plaque Offer From George Van Valkenburg** - In a telephone conversation George Van Valkenburg offered to provide all Chamber Members a membership plaque for their 2010 membership. The board considered the offer and decided to decline the offer.

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

- Cori Patterson and Maria Hedlund have moved to the Red Hot Hair location.

**Meeting Adjourned:** Meeting adjourned at 12:58 p.m.

**Minutes respectfully submitted by Gwen Warner, Executive Director.**

***ANNOUNCEMENTS***

- The next Chamber meeting is November 4, 2009 at Smokehouse Café & Supper Club.
- *Sunflower Arts & Crafts Fair* is November 7, 2009
- The next Retail Meeting is November 10, 2009 at 8:30 a.m. at the Chamber office.
- *Merchants Christmas Open House* is November 15, 2009
- *Candy Cane Cash Retail Promo* begins November 28, 2009
- *Christmas Arts & Crafts Fair* is December 5, 2009