

## Strawberry Point Chamber Board Minutes–April 18, 2011

President Abbie Thompson called the meeting to order at 7:05 a.m. Additional board members present were Mike Tucker, Wally Rowcliffe, Lorna Sheckles, Vicki Rettinger, Lisa Meyer and Larry Klostermann. Absent was Brenda Landis. Also present were Chamber of Commerce Secretary Amanda Whittle, Mayor Dale Fox and Curtis Ruhser from KCTN.

The minutes and treasurer's report were approved.

Old Business: Strawberry Days was discussed. Danielle Wagner of KWVL has agreed to be the emcee for Saturday afternoon entertainment in Inger Park from 2-5 p.m. The Chamber Board is looking into ordering T-shirts not only for Strawberry Days but having them for sale during the summer. The Kids of the Kingdom will have a food stand on Friday afternoon and evening in the park during Strawberry Days. An idea was brought up to have a drawing for those who purchase wristbands in advance. Boxes will be set up in the locations that sell wristbands. Individuals get to enter their name into a drawing for a free seasonal pool pass with the purchase of each wristband. A motion was made by Lisa Meyer to donate 2 single season pool passes as prizes for the drawing. Seconded by Wally Rowcliffe, all ayes; motion carried. Curtis Ruhser of KCTN presented an ad package to the board for Strawberry Days. The board will look over packages and make a decision at an upcoming meeting. Housing incentives were discussed. The chamber has agreed to give \$250 worth of chamber bucks and a free subscription to the Press-Journal to anyone who builds a new home in Strawberry Point starting this year. The board has agreed to review new homes on a quarterly basis.

New Business: The Downtown Business Committee is finalizing plans for the City-Wide Garage Sales on May 6-7. If there is enough interest, they may open up the gym at the Civic Center for those who need a place to sell items. It would be free to set up in the Civic Center. If interested in selling items at the Civic Center, please contact Lorna Sheckles at 933-4505. Contact the Press-Journal to make sure they have your garage sale listing. The board also discussed updating the current Chamber By-Laws. The by-laws are outdated and minor changes need to be voted on. The Chamber will e-mail/mail a notification to all chamber members before a voting will take place. The Regional Chamber Board Conference will take place in West Union on April 29, from 5-9 p.m. A motion was made by Vicki Rettinger to donate \$25 in chamber bucks for a door prize. Seconded by Larry Klostermann, all ayes; motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 a.m. The next Chamber Board meeting will take place Monday, May 2, 2011, at 7:00 a.m. at the Franklin Hotel.

Respectfully Submitted,

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Amanda Whittle, Secretary