

Strawberry Point Chamber Board Minutes–June 27, 2011

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

The minutes and treasurer's report were approved.

Old Business: Strawberry Days 2012 was discussed. The Chamber has booked the National Guard to come to Strawberry Days along with their rock wall. The Chamber will also look into getting the Shriners for the parade next year. The Chamber is also working on creating new Chamber Bucks for 2011-2012. The "Nominate Your Neighbor" yard contest has started and entries will be accepted until July 22 for the first round. Residents of Strawberry Point are asked to contact the chamber at 933-4417 or chamber@strawberrypoint.com to nominate their neighbor's well manicured yard for the chance at winning \$40 in Chamber Bucks. A motion was made by Tucker to give \$40.00 in Chamber Bucks to the winner of the "Nominate Your Neighbor" contest. Seconded by Meyer, all ayes; motion carried.

New Business: The Downtown Business committee is working on Backbone Bluegrass coupon sheets. They will send letters/emails to businesses asking them for specials or business tags. The chamber also discussed Ridiculous Days that will be the weekend of July 29-30. The Chamber needs to contact vendors that would like to set up downtown. Clayton County received a Farmers Market promotion grant. Strawberry Point will get two free signs to promote the farmers market. These signs will be the same design in each farmers market in Clayton County. A motion was made by Sheckles to give \$10.00 in Chamber Bucks to the Backbone Lake Friends to use towards the "winners basket" of Christmas in July at Backbone State Park on July 15-16. The Chamber Golf Outing was briefly discussed. The Chamber is thinking about serving a meal after the golf outing.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 a.m. The next Chamber Board meeting will take place Monday, July 11th, at the Franklin Hotel. The chamber board would like to invite any chamber member to attend this or any other chamber board meeting. Hope to see you there!

Respectfully Submitted,

Signature _____ Date _____
Amanda Whittle, Secretary