

Place: Romer's Banquet Room

Date: 5/14/2018

**Members present**: Josh Schmackers, Karen Romer, Frank Arling, Don Hess, Sharon Rindler, Frank Urwin, Beth Butler, Jenn McCoy, Matt Lammers, David Romer, Nate Subler, Lisa Niekamp Urwin, Ron Rindler, Andy Schmitmeyer, John Yoder.

President, Nate Subler called the meeting to order.

No changes were made to the **minutes** from the March 12, 2018 meeting. They were motioned for approval by David Romer and seconded by Ron Rindler. Motion carried.

David gave an update on the **finances**: Checking balance - \$1,335.27, Savings - \$26,000.00.

Nate welcomed a few members who were attending their first meeting and/or their first meeting in a long time ... Frank Arling of Arling-Evers Auctioneers and 1<sup>st</sup> Call Realty. Also, Jenn McCoy and Beth Butler from CA Group. **THANK YOU FOR COMING!!** 

**Guest Speaker** and Chamber member, Andrew Schmitmeyer was introduced by Nate Subler. Andy has been licensed in the area of wealth management since 2006. He has previous work experience at Morgan Stanley and Minster State Bank. In January 2018, Andy opened his own business, **ADS Financial, LLC** at 343 E Main St in the heart of downtown St Henry. After Andy shared a little information about himself, he talked about who might need financial planning and some of his areas of specialty.

- 1) Family Financial Planning and Retirement Planning.
- 2) Company Retirement Plans, Simple IRA's, Simple & SEP IRA's, and 401k plans.
- 3) Local organizations and service groups who may have cash available for investments.

In closing, Andy encourages everyone that if it has been five or more years since you have looked at or reviewed your insurance and investment plans, don't procrastinate any longer - <u>now</u> is the best time to review what you have and plan for where you want to go. If you don't have a plan, consider making one! View his website at <u>www.adsfinancialwealth.com</u> or like him on Facebook.

## Committee Reports:

## **Membership / Welcome Committee:**

- a. **2018 Membership Plates** have all been distributed to members.
- Dues 2018 just a few members from last year have not renewed. We will continue to reach out to them.

## **New Business:**

- 1. **Thank You letters** were received from "A Park for All Abilities" and from "St Henry Stingrays Swim Board" for our donations to their organization.
- 2. **Chamber of Commerce Banquet Recap** We had nearly 80 people attend the Banquet and the event went very well. The entertainment was great, the food-very good; as usual, and special thanks to The St Henry Bank for being the drink sponsor for the event. Eight tables were sponsored by businesses totaling \$800. David Romer and Josh Schmackers liked the idea of donating the table sponsor money to a local organization or community project; like the SH Booster Athletic Complex. Sharon Rindler suggested that the intended donor might be listed on the banquet invitation going forward. Matt Lammers made a motion to donate \$800 from the table sponsorship plus \$200 more from Chamber funds for a total of \$1,000 to the St Henry Booster Athletic Complex. The motion was seconded by UNKNOWN SOURCE (will someone at the meeting please remind me who seconded the motion, THANKS!!). Motion Carried.
- 3. **St Henry Picnic Raffle Ticket** Chuck has agreed to work on this project again. Sharon Rindler asked if we would entertain the idea of increasing the Chamber's prize from \$500 in

Village money to \$1,000 ... stating that we donate money to numerous groups and organizations throughout the year, this might be a way to give back to the businesses as all of the dollars will be spent locally. Pros and cons of doing so were discussed including facts that income from ticket sales have not increased in the past five years, even though the number of prizes has increased; we are cutting our own profits by increasing our prize offering. After some further discussion, Frank Urwin made a motion to increase our prize amount to \$1,000 Village Money. The motion was seconded by Don Hess. Motion carried. Beth Butler offered assistance from CA Group to assemble tickets, pass out picnic posters, etc.

Thank you to "Beckman & Gast" for hosting the stress relief – YES!

Frank "Wills" Arling was winner of the **Pot of God** - \$24.00, It pays to come to the meeting, literally!

Lisa Niekamp Urwin made a motion to **adjourn the meeting**; it was seconded by Karen Romer. Motion carried. Next meeting will be Monday, June 11, 2018!!!!!

Sincerely,

Sharon Rindler

Secretary