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Minutes of December 2nd, 2009 - City Hall

- Meeting called to order at 7:30 am by President Schuman.
- Agenda approved as presented.
- Secretary's report – Motion Andrew Semrau, 2nd John Carroll to approve Nov. minutes. Approved.
- Treasurer's report – Tabled.
- Old Business –
 - Winterfest Update from Kevin – everything on track, new signs up, expenses around \$300.
 - Unsung Hero/Businessperson of Year – Will be selected at general meeting.
 - Annual Meeting Update from Cathy Chubb – Saturday, Jan. 16 at St. Isidore Small Hall. Invitations will be sent with dues statements.
- New Business –
 - Cruise Night – Kevin McPhail & John Carroll have agreed to represent the LBA in meeting with the Hill family and Dawn Dulworth of Looking Glass Community Services.
 - Website hosting – Motion John Carroll, 2nd Ed Buskirk to pay \$100 annual fee to Eric Schuman. Approved,
- General Meeting Agenda Items –

- Board election; Businessperson & Unsung Hero elections, Winterfest report.
- Meeting Adjourned at 8:15 am.

Ed Buskirk, secretary

Minutes of November 4th, 2009 - City Hall

- Meeting called to order by President Schuman at 7:35 a.m.
- No agenda changes.
- Secretary's Report – Motion John Carroll, 2nd Andrew Semrau to approve Oct. minutes. Approved.
- Treasurer's Report – We have 89 members. Motion Ed Buskirk, 2nd Karan Dean to approve, Passed.
- Old Business –
 - Winterfest – Things going well; more details at general meeting next week.
 - Farmers Market – The committee recommends changing the time to 9 am to 1 pm next year; lowering space rent to \$10/day & \$100/year; In all the market was very successful.
 - Unsung Hero & Businessperson Awards – Keep the same as before this year but committee to study changes to Unsung Hero nominations & voting for next year.
 - Board positions – Nominations at Nov. general meeting, election Dec. Kevin McPhail and Karan Dean terms up; Carolyn Kirkby has resigned effective Jan. 20.
- New Business –
 - Cruise Night – We will invite Mayor Culpepper and the Hill family to a board meeting
 - Website – Dues (\$100) due Jan. 1.
 - Annual Meeting – Cathy Chubb to chair and confirm date at St. Isidore, LBA will buy meat.
- General Meeting – Winterfest, Farmers' Market, board nominations, Henrietta Sparkes to speak.
- Meeting adjourned at 8:40 am.

Ed Buskirk
Secretary

Minutes of October 7th, 2009 - City Hall

- Meeting called to order by President Eric Schuman at 7:30 a.m.
- Agenda – add City of Laingsburg Master Plan.
- Secretary's Report – Motion Andrew Semrau, Second John Carroll to approve Sept. minutes. Approved.
- Treasurer's Report – Rolled over CD. We now have 90 members. Motion by Andrew Semrau, second by Karan Dean to approve. Approved.
- Old Business –
 - Winterfest Plans – Kevin will address at general meeting.
 - Farmers Market – Generally a success. Committee will address after survey results come in.
- New Business –
 - Unsung Hero/Businessperson of Year – We will form a committee to study.
 - Board Positions – Kevin McPhail and Karan Dean's terms are up.
 - Cruise night – Eric will work with Mike Culpepper and the Hill family to discuss a possible move of Cruise Night to the Saturday of the Pancake Breakfast.
 - City Master Plan – City made the revised Master Plan available for study and comment.
- Meeting adjourned at 8:30 a.m.

Submitted by Ed Buskirk, secretary

Minutes of September 2nd, 2009 - City Hall

- Meeting called to order at 7:35 a.m. by President Eric Schuman.
- No additions to the agenda.
- Motion to approve August minutes as amended by Kevin McPhail. Second John Carroll. Approved.
- Treasurer's report tabled.
- Old Business -
 - Canopy – Eric will try to buy 10x10 locally, and the 10x20 online.
 - Winterfest – Kevin will have another meeting next week. Tentative 11 am-4 pm. Dec. 5.

- Farmers' Market – Will discuss at end of season. There will be no year end picnic.
 - Cruise Night Switch– Eric will discuss with Mike Culpepper.
- New Business -
 - Christmas Decorations – Motion by Ed Buskirk, second by John Carroll, to partner with the City and the DDA and pay 1/3 of Christmas decoration expense. Carried.
- General Membership Meeting agenda items – Winterfest.
- Meeting adjourned at 8:20 a.m,

Submitted by Ed Buskirk, secretary

Minutes of August 5th, 2009 - City Hall

- Meeting called to order by President Eric Schuman at 7:35 a.m.
- Calendar added to agenda.
- Secretary's report – July minutes not available at this time.
- Treasurer's report – We now have 89 members.
- Old Business –
 - Pancake Breakfast–
 - 50/50 made \$273 and we received \$360 in donations.
 - Items to consider for next year –
 - We might consider renting a Porta-Potty for below the hill.
 - There were some complaints about no pre-ticket sales.
 - We need to go to plastic tablecloths.
 - We need a canopy for over the batter mix station.
 - We should consider a shuttle system for seniors.
 - Would it be better to combine Cruise Night and the Car Show?
 - Gary Bendall needs helper - Carolyn Kirkby volunteered.
 - Monthly General Membership Meeting
 - Eric now has a key to the Methodist Church.
 - Farmers Market – Everything running smoothly, vendors and customers happy.
- New Business –

- Cordless mic – tabled.
- Motion Ed Buskirk, second John Carroll to buy 10x10 canopy for batter station.
- Motion Ed Buskirk, second Carolyn Kirkby to buy additional 10x20 senior canopy.
- Calendar – tabled until next year due to lack of volunteers.
- General Membership Agenda items – Pancake Breakfast, Farmers Market.

Meeting adjourned at 8:40.

Ed Buskirk

Secretary

Minutes of June 3rd, 2009 - City Hall

- Meeting called to order at 7:30 a.m. by President Eric Schuman.
- Added calendar to agenda.
- Secretary's Report – Motion to approve May minutes by Andrew Semrau, second John Carroll. Approved.
- Treasurer's Report – We now have 80 members. Motion by Andrew Semrau, second by Ed Buskirk to approve treasurer's report. Approved.
- Old Business -
 - Farmers' Market –
 - LBA booth – We will not have a booth at this time.
 - Advertising – We will run ads as we see fit, within in our \$500 budget.
 - First-Aid kits – Carolyn Kirkby will purchase one kit for all managers to share.
 - Signs – City DPW will put up sign and leave barricades and trash cans Friday night, LBA will tear down.
 - Pancake breakfast –
 - Entertainment – Jen West is working on new ideas.
 - Business expo – John Schlaack is chairing.
 - Aprons - Sportsman's Club has donated one dozen with logo.
 - Schwans will set up and donate 20% of day's sales to the LBA.
 - Lions will handle raffle and winners' sign.

- Winterfest – tabled.
- New Business -
 - Storage Locker – tabled until after Pancake Breakfast.
 - Calendar – John Carroll volunteered to help.
- Meeting adjourned at 8:45 a.m.

Submitted by Ed Buskirk, Secretary

Minutes of May 6th, 2009 - City Hall

- Meeting called to order at 7:30 a.m. by President Eric Schuman.
- No agenda changes.
- Secretary’s Report – Motion to approve April minutes by Andrew Semrau, second John Carroll. Approved.
- Treasurer’s Report – We now have over 68 members. Motion by Andrew Semrau, second by Ed Buskirk to approve treasurer’s report. Approved.
- Old Business -
 - Springfest float – Tabled until next year.
 - Farmers’ Market–
 - New vendor agreement is ready. We have one vendor lined up, hope for up to five more.
 - City agreement – LBA has been added to city insurance, we will do same for them.
 - An LBA booth is still under discussion.
 - \$500 was approved for advertising, signage, etc.
 - Pancake breakfast –
 - Entertainment – Jen West volunteered to chair.
 - Business expo – will ask John Schlaack to chair.
 - Sportsman’s Club to donate 12 aprons.
 - Schwans will set up and donate 20% of sales to the LBA.
 - Lions will handle raffle and winners’ sign.
 - We will advertise for sponsors. Kevin McPhail will chair.
 - Farmers’ market to stay on Roosevelt Row during breakfast.
 - Winterfest – tabled.

- New Business -
 - Storage Locker - \$100 approved to purchase materials.
 - Magnetic Signs – tabled.
- Meeting adjourned at 8:45 a.m.

Submitted by Ed Buskirk, Secretary

Minutes of April 1st, 2009 - City Hall

- Meeting called to order at 7:30 a.m. by President Eric Schuman.
- Add griddle rental to agenda changes.
- Secretary's Report – Motion to approve March minutes by Andrew Semrau, second John Carroll. Approved.
- Treasurer's Report – We now have over 70 members. Motion by John Carroll, second by Andrew Semrau to approve treasurer's report. Approved.
- Old Business -
 - Farmers' Market – The committee is working out the final details. Insurance may be a concern.
 - Pancake Breakfast –
 - Speaker problems – Motion Ed Buskirk, second John Carroll for Eric to buy more cable to space speakers farther apart.
 - Jen West has offered to be in charge of entertainment. She has lined up Tom Turek and Carl Veith as emcees. Looking for main entertainment act.
 - The Business Expo needs to be advertised in paper.
 - Aprons for cooks – Dale Snider will check into availability.
 - Missing cooking items – Gary Bendall to purchase as needed. Approved.
- New Business –
 - Winterfest – Discussion tabled.
 - ACOV Flags – Will be displayed four times a year. Looking for volunteers to place and pick up.
 - Griddle rental – Consensus was it would be best to not rent the griddles out.
 - Food Bank Rep – Cathy Chubb has agreed to serve as the LBA rep to the Food Bank Board. She is planning on putting out drop-off boxes. New

volunteers are also needed.

- Meeting adjourned at 8:45 a.m.

Submitted by Ed Buskirk, Secretary

Minutes of March 4th, 2009 - City Hall

- Meeting called to order at 7:35 a.m. by President Eric Schuman.
- No agenda changes.
- Secretary's Report – Motion to approve Feb. minutes by Carolyn Kirkby, second Andrew Semrau. Approved.
- Treasurer's Report – We now have 58 members. Motion by Ed Buskirk, second by John Carroll to approve treasurer's report. Approved.
- Old Business -
 - Saginaw Township Business Association – Eric, Carolyn and Dale reported on their visit. Even though they are larger they face many of the same obstacles. One idea brought back was to sell newsletter ads (approved).
 - Pancake Breakfast –
 - Speaker problems – try spacing farther apart, relocating platform, showing raffle winners on a sign.
 - We should consider advertising for entertainment.
 - The Business Expo needs to be expanded.
 - Aprons for cooks – Dale Snider will check into availability.
 - Pancake dispensers – Motion by John Carroll, second by Ed Buskirk to purchase 2 new pancake dispensers. Approved.
- New Business –
 - Winterfest – The committee met. Discussion tabled.
 - Hat & Cane – Put on general meeting agenda.
 - Farmers' Market – Eric, Ed, Carolyn and Cathy will work on committee.
- Meeting adjourned at 8:45 a.m.

Submitted by Ed Buskirk, Secretary

Minutes of February 4th, 2009 - City Hall

- Meeting called to order at 7:35 a.m. by President Eric Schuman.
- No agenda changes.
- Secretary's Report – There was no quorum in January, so no minutes were taken.
- Treasurer's Report – We now have 41 members. Motion by Kevin McPhail, second by Andrew Semrau to approve treasurer's report. Approved.
- Old Business -
 - Hall rental for annual dinner – Motion by Andrew Semrau, second by Kevin McPhail to send \$25 to St. Isidore for hall rental. Approved.
- New Business –
 - Officer Election – 2009-10 officers were elected unanimously following a motion by Dale Snider, seconded by Carolyn Kirkby: President Eric Schuman, Vice-President John Carroll, Secretary Ed Buskirk, Treasurer Carolyn Kirkby.
 - SEDP Annual Meeting – Carolyn Kirkby will represent the LBA.
 - Promotion – In an effort to promote attendance, Cathy Chubb will send out postcards to members, and Ed will try to get more publicity in the paper.
 - Saginaw Township Business Association – Several members will attend the Saginaw meeting and report back.
 - Member discounts – It was decided to not extend the member discounts program to non-members.
 - Pancake Breakfast discussion – Tabled.
 - Winterfest discussion – Tabled.
 - Donation Request – The hat will be passed at the Feb. general membership meeting and the proceeds given to Marilyn Baumgras for her local history project.
- Meeting adjourned at 8:45 a.m.

Submitted by Ed Buskirk, Secretary