



# CONCORD - LEROY AREA

## Chamber of Commerce MEETING MINUTES

**Date:** Wednesday, April 13, 2011  
**Time:** 8:30am-9:30am  
**Place:** QHCC

**Board Attendance:** Karen Ruth      Kathy Simpson      Cheryl Stewart      Robin Brower  
Tim Toman      Marlene Krakowski      Brian Gidley

**Member Attendees:** Jack Nettis      Doug Crowl      Deborah Serra      Patty Scott  
Marvin Sable

**Agenda:** Committee Updates, Upcoming Events, New Member Intro

**Minutes:**

- Meeting was called to order
- Attendance Introduction
- Approval of previous minutes and old business were motioned and seconded
- Welcoming Committee: New member Sievers Security was discussed, they joined but have not paid, and Cheryl will call them for the next meeting; Karen to send out letter, once payment is received.
- PR Committee
  - \* YMCA Dream House: Judy Cerne was instrumental in getting our ad in the Cleveland Magazine, sponsored by both CLACC and the Township. There will be a link on our home page to track the construction from start to finish.
  - \* Deborah Serra recapped the committee's activity regarding press in all the local publications
  - \* Welcome Gift - Live tree in dirt in a plastic bag in a Chamber cup. Reach out to Auburn Horticultural Dept. for their help in providing the trees.
- Chamber-in-Kind
  - \* Marlene said it is very important that the Chamber know how much in-kind services this Chamber needs in order to run and thanked everyone for all their help.
- Robin provided the Director's/Treasurer's report as follows:
  - \* Current Balance is \$4,833.32. Another \$110 in pay pal.
  - \* Michael Knack, Professional Safety Consulting & Training Systems, LLC wants to be involved in the chamber on a committee - Advocacy Committee? He is a Sargent with the Euclid Police, lives in Concord and wants to give back to the community.
  - \* Township Treasurers are going to meet with CLACC regarding economic development and Robin will report back to us at the June meeting.
  - \* Grab & Grow - share good experiences and it continues to grow each year.
  - \* Plaques were distributed to founders and outgoing President at meeting. Need to invite the remaining founders to the meeting to distribute the remaining plaques.
  - \* Grand Opening of the Leroy Country Store is Friday, June 13, 2011.
  - \* Founders Club was discussed and explained - 24 spots to fill.
- Events
  - \* Events are done for this year, except for an Educational event in September at Auburn Career Center for the community - talk about JED, Vrooman Road, Bike Path, 44 Corridor. This will be an evening event to give the residents a voice.
  - \* Chair Factory Falls walk on the bike path - Julie Cirino will be the speaker on nutrition.
  - \* Brian Gidley spoke at length about Leroy Community Days/Pig Roast and help that is needed. Contact him directly if you want to help with this. Possibly a 2-day event next year.
  - \* Jack Nettis spoke in depth re: the Connector Rd. in relation to Auburn/Crile intersection. 4-way stops will be in place 5/23 at Girdled Rd/Ravenna Rd. and Ravenna/Concord Hambden Rds.
  - \* Helping Hands - done in November and we sponsor 3 kids. Need to have application and criteria/guidelines.
- Float Committee
  - \* Patty mentioned we need volunteers for driving, construction, those on the float and walkers. Donations are also needed to defray costs. Chamber T-shirts will be sold for \$12.
- Advocacy
  - \* Doug said this committee is the liaison between business/residents/public officials. Wants to be on the Agenda every month. Need to establish job descriptions/responsibilities.
- Ballots were distributed and tallied and the officers and trustees remain the same, with the exception of the Secretary position - Kathy Simpson replaces Alaina Maloney who stepped down.

Our next meeting/event will be at the Quail Hollow Country Club, 7:30am-8:30am,  
Wednesday, June 8th, 2011. PLEASE NOTE CHANGE IN TIME  
Meeting was adjourned.