

Kearsarge Area Chamber of Commerce

February 16, 2010 Meeting Minutes

In attendance: Laura French (Pres.) Christine Daniels (dir.)
 Rhonda Rood (V.P.) Mike McChesney (dir.)
 Maryann Plass (Secy.) Ginger Marsh (ex-officio)
 Cindy Barrett-Dumais (Treas.) Bob Lutz (dir.)
 Laura Buono (dir.)

- 1 – Motion was made to accept meeting minutes from December 15, 2009, January 6 & 26, 2010, and February 9, 2010. All were in favor...motion approved.
- 2 – Cindy Barrett-Dumais provided treasurers report: \$1460.86 in checking; \$1248.26 in retailers group acct.; \$2367.07 brochure acct.; \$261.85 beautification acct.
- 3 - Motion was made to approve treasurer's report. All were in favor...motion approved.
- 4 – Chris Daniels from Education Committee reported she sent email to the membership asking if any member was interested in providing an informative (educational) opportunity for members in the near future at one of our meetings. There was one response so far and that was from Marc Violette of TDS Telecom. The topic would be current telecommunications.
- 5 – Mike McChesney from the Marketing Committee said he is ready to send out an email to the membership concerning our search for a logo and website design/maintenance. It was mentioned that Dan Watts' expertise is in the maintenance and not so much design. Bob Lutz mentioned that he recently had Jim Dudley design his website and will talk with him about joining us as a member and possibly offering his services.
- 6 - Rhonda Rood and Maryann Plass from the Membership Committee reported they are still working on getting something together that could be handed out to potential new members showing what the benefits of becoming a member of the KACC would be. Cindy said she will email an updated member list to Maryann Plass. The suggestion was made that each board member take a town and try to work on getting new members in that town and spread the word about the KACC. The following towns were 'assigned':

Bradford – Cindy Barrett-Dumais	Sutton – Mike McChesney
Newbury – Maryann Plass & Bob Lutz	Warner - all
Hopkinton – Laura French & Rhonda Rood	Webster – Laura French
- 7 – Laura Buono provided an update on town matters:
 - the budget was completed and they recommended everything the Selectmen presented
 - there will be a 1.64% rate decrease if everything on the warrant articles pass
 - some of the items on the warrant articles include a new cruiser for the police dept., road work in the town, and a new copy machine
 - the Town Meeting is March 10 at 7 p.m.; voting will take place on March 9 and there is 1 selectmen and 3 budget positions open
 - the town is still dealing with the issues at the Azmy property on the Warner/Webster line
- 8 – Ginger Marsh asked if there will be a candidates night this year. This opened the discussion and it was decided by all that there would be one. It was scheduled for March 3 at 7 p.m. Invitations will be made by Laura to the candidates and she will ask Marc Violette if he would moderate. Notice to the membership will be made via email and posters will be made for the info booth and Sugar River Bank. Get contact info for the surrounding towns and send to Laura French.
- 9 - Maryann Plass asked for confirmation on whether the KACC is "for profit" or "not for profit" as there is a difference when it comes to obtaining directors and officers liability insurance. She was advised that the KACC is a "for profit" organization where the income is between \$7-10,000 annually. Bob Lutz offered to research the differences in the two organizations.