



Board of Directors Meeting
Minutes
February 19, 2013

- Present: Rhonda Rood, Country Houses (President)
Laura French, New Hampshire Telephone Museum (Secretary)
Marc Violette, TDS Telecom
Sean Bohman, YCN & 3 Bidy's Pet Treats
Scott Hanwell, Dado Printing
- Missing: Maryann Plass, Colby Insurance & Country Houses (Vice President)
Cindy Dumais, ReMax
Lynne Haney, Schaefer Mortgage
Susan Olsen, Resident Power & Freedom Energy Logistics (Treasurer)
Elizabeth D'Orazio, Sugar River Bank

Secretary's Report – *Laura French*

In the absence of a quorum there was no vote to approve the secretary's report.

Treasurer's Report – *Susan Olsen*

The treasurer's report provided by Susan via e-mail was reviewed. There is still an issue with the Beautification Fund balance which Laura will research. Susan reported via e-mail that the town of Warner has not used any donated beautification funds since 2011 so the board is leaning towards keeping the funds and doing our own project. Suggestions included planting flowers, hiring a landscaper or seeing if one would donate labor, adding more bike racks in town or down at Market Basket, park bench, solar powered lights for the info kiosk, and using the funds towards the brochure or other chamber projects. It was agreed that Dan and Mary Watts need to be involved in the decision making since they organize the Festival of Trees.

Susan also reported via e-mail that our D&O insurance had been cancelled despite the installment payments she has been making. She will call them to get it reactivated.

In the absence of a quorum there was no vote to accept the treasurer's report.

Review of Action Items

Susan was going to check to see if anything needs to be done concerning the insurance now that the retailer group is officially a part of the Chamber. – No update.

Committee Updates

Education – Laura French

We have one business interested in doing a BAH – Upton Chandler House in September. We have some coffee talk ideas but nothing scheduled as yet.

Membership – Cindy Dumais

Laura reported that all non-renewals have been removed from the website. Cindy has been working on following up with those businesses who have not yet renewed.

Marketing – Rhonda Rood

Still working on the brochure. **Action Item:** *Schedule a special meeting of the Board to review first draft of brochure. Laura will send an e-mail notifying the board of the meeting date/time.*

Newspaper – Maryann Plass

Rhonda reported that we need to set up a time for a newspaper meeting to get the committee re-engaged. **Action Item:** *Laura will send out an e-mail to the committee with a suggested date/time.* Scott Hanwell recommended setting the non-member advertising rates so that it makes it worth it to become a member and pay the member rates.

Blood Drive – Sean Bohman

Sean is working on getting volunteers for tomorrow's blood drive. He's also looking for the signs/ posters. The next two blood drives have been scheduled for May 29 and August 14.

Other Business

We briefly discussed the proposed dues increase but tabled the issue because of the small group in attendance.

Next Meeting – March 19 @ 8:00 a.m. at the Chamber Office.

Meeting adjourned at 9:04 a.m.

Submitted by:

Laura French
Secretary