

Locust Grove Area Chamber Meeting

November 15, 2016

6:00p.m.

VFW Hall

Minutes

Call to Order by: Jerry Yates

Pledge: Jerry Yates

Prayer: Marsha Evans

Minutes approved: 1st Monica Hunton 2nd Jennifer Henson

Financials approved: The CD has been moved to savings. There is a surplus from town directory sales of \$752. 1st Roxann Yates 2nd Theresa Mennecke

Officers:

President – Jerry Yates

Vice-President – Shaun Perkins

Treasurer – Jennifer Henson

Secretary – Marsha Evans

Board:

Chairperson – Kate Bowerin

Class of 2017 – Kate Bowerin & Roxann Yates

Class of 2018 – Theresa Menecke & Joel Powell

Class of 2019 – Jeff Kerr & Jerry Yates

Upcoming Events:

November

15 LG Chamber meeting 6:00p.m. VFW Hall

19 8:00a.m. Decorating light poles downtown for Christmas.

26 Small Business Saturday

December

3 Christmas parade 2:00p.m.

20 NO LG Chamber meeting

January

17 LG Chamber meeting 6:00p.m. VFW Hall

February

21 LG Chamber meeting 6:00p.m. VFW Hall

March

21 LG Chamber meeting 6:00p.m. VFW Hall

April

18 LG Chamber meeting 6:00p.m. VFW Hall

May

13 Founders Day

16 LG Chamber meeting 6:00p.m. VFW Hall

June

20 LG Chamber meeting 6:00p.m. VFW Hall; voting

Board News:

1. The board voted to approve reimbursing Shaun Perkins \$3097.82 for money spent on the Town Directory. Advertising brought in more than that, so the cost was covered.
2. Update on Christmas parade and associated events.
Date-- Dec. 3 at 2 p.m.
Help is needed November 19 to put up Christmas decorations on the light poles downtown. Meet at the VFW Hall at 8:00a.m.
There will be a raffle with a variety of prizes.
The NSU band from Tahlequah and our high school band will be in the parade.
The Town Council approved closing the street by Holman's.
3. We will do ribbon cuttings November 26 at La Mansion and R.O.M.P. Rummage outlet. Other upcoming ribbon cuttings to be scheduled will be: Wonder City Coffee, the nutrition shop, Magic Shop, Mike's Wholesale.
4. The LG Junior Chamber members will paint a window for Christmas. More window decorators are needed.
5. It was decided to not have a Chamber sponsored Easter egg hunt in 2017.
6. November 26 is Small Business Saturday. Shop locally! A much higher percentage of the money you spend in small businesses stays in the community than if you shop at a chain.
7. The TracPhone was getting so few calls that it was voted to drop the TracPhone. Board members' phone numbers are on the web site and they have been fielding calls about Chamber issues.
8. There will not be a December Board meeting nor a regular Chamber meeting.

Other Business:

1. Chamber goals for 2017? 2017 events? What advertising and perks should come with Chamber membership? Bring ideas to the January meeting.
2. An effort will be made to coordinate Chamber objectives with those of the Town Council. We will work on ways to communicate with each other.

The next Chamber meeting will be **Tuesday, January 17, 2017** at 6:00p.m. at the VFW Hall.