

Versailles Area Chamber of Commerce Minutes

April 7th, 2021

Call to Order: Jeff called the meeting to order. Directors' present: Paula, Josh, Scott, Matt, Jerry, Jackie, Mike, and Ron (Brian, Kim, Aaron)

Approval of Minutes: Jerry made a motion to approve the March 3rd minutes, it was seconded by Josh, all voted aye and the motion carried.

Financial Report: Matt provided the updated financial report. Current overall assets \$65,449.52. Total members to date are 87, the same as 2020. The audit went well, took about 8 hours. Ron made a motion to approve the report, it was seconded by Jerry, all voted aye and the motion carried.

Village Report: Mike discussed:

- Virginia Street torn up – sewer, then water, then street fixed
- Spring – lots of activity going on in and around town

School Report: Aaron was not present.

Downtown – Main Street Organization: Mike took over this discussion: this thought for Versailles is very preliminary. This is what is being recommended. Could be a possible sub-committee or completely separate from chamber.

- Small Nation – is out of Bellefontaine downtown, they have built up the downtown, they will help other communities, but cost is associated with the help

Bicentennial Mural Project: Eric Stachler – Have money left from the Celebration. Looking to put murals around town. Looking to do heat applied printed murals (painting is more costly). Working with Sketch Blue. Currently waiting on artists to submit ideas, etc. Will then choose artists and designs. Working with building owners for potential sites (Swift Gilly, Endless Pint, Bakery). Ultimate Goal to have them up by Farefest.

Special June Meeting: Monique McGlinch is with Versailles Inn – wants to meet to discuss the new hotel and the downtown retail

- All members voted yes for a June meeting

Items from Directors:

- Advertising for event on May 1st – Event is Mothers on Main May 1st from 10am to 2pm. Local businesses to run specials, 3 food trucks uptown, Versailles Garden Club selling flowers, put together by Karen Wietholder of Swift Gilly – a motion to help advertise for the event in the Policy was made, \$300 total by Jerry, it was seconded by Jackie, all voted aye and the motion carried.
- A huge THANK YOU to Paula for all her hard work with the website and Facebook. We have had a lot of traffic and many people noticing. Your efforts are greatly appreciated.

Adjournment: Jackie made a motion to adjourn, Matt seconded it, all voted aye and the motion carried.

The next meeting will be May 5th, 2021

Jeff Lyme, President

Jacquelyn Briscoe, Secretary