

## **Board of Director's Meeting Minutes from November 2, 2005**

Meeting called to order at 5:03 p.m.

### **ROLL CALL**

Directors Present: Lee Boswell, Don Bender, Michael Haller, Beth Thacker, Tony Vinezeano, Jim Umland, Gary Hase and Caren Crowley.

Directors Absent: Brian Cann, Lucy Longfellow, Sue Moore and Michelle DePaolis.

Guest Present: Ken Noth (Eastern Will County Senior Citizens)

**REMINDER: ALL CHAMBER MEMBERS ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND OUR BOARD MEETINGS.**

### **REPORTS**

**Secretary's Report:** After a Motion by Beth, second by Tony, the Board approved the minutes from the October Board of Director's meeting.

**Treasurer's Report:** Beth Thacker distributed October's financial report. Monthly expenses totaled \$720. Our ending balance is \$7,729. After a motion from Tony and second from Caren, the board approved October's financial report.

**Membership Committee:** Membership is at 44 members. Most new membership certificates have been distributed for renewed and new members. The website will be updated to include only current members.

### **CHAMBER EVENTS**

**UPCOMING/RECENT CHAMBER EVENTS: PLEASE mark your calendars!!**

### **BUSINESS AFTER HOURS**

Board Director Gary Hase (Information Age) will be hosting a *Business after Hours* on Tuesday, November 22<sup>nd</sup> from 5-7 p.m. The address and number is listed below. This is a great opportunity to network and meet other businesses.

#### **INFORMATION AGE INC.**

**500 West Indiana**

**Suite A**

**Beecher, Illinois 60401**

**Phone: 708.946.1777**

**[www.informationageinc.com](http://www.informationageinc.com)**

### **Christmas Tree Lighting December 3rd**

Our next big community event is the Christmas Tree Lighting and Santa's visit. The date is Saturday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>.

If you are interested in hosting a **Business after Hours**, please contact Michelle DePaolis (708-534-6924) for available dates for 2006. We are always looking for our local businesses to participate in a business after hours, which is always a good way of advertising **your** business!

**Communications Committee:** We had 209 new first time visitors to the Chamber website in October. Please remember to log on to our chamber website [www.moneechamber.com](http://www.moneechamber.com) to view chamber events and review our meeting minutes. **Remember** that Chamber Members who supply us with their e-mail addresses will have the minutes sent directly to them via the internet. If you have not done so, PLEASE forward your e-mail address to [info@moneechamber.com](mailto:info@moneechamber.com) so that you too can be included in this distribution!!

**Miscellaneous:**

- State Farm in Peotone will be moving to Monee in December.
- Seehausen's Grocery store is now scheduled to break ground in March 2006.
- Doc's Drugstore construction is progressing well.

The chamber presented Ken Noth with a \$500 donation check for the Eastern Will County Senior Citizens car auction event.

The board discussed event planning for 2006. The board agreed to use the December meeting as a planning meeting for 2006. Jim requested that all board members come to the December meeting with ideas on the following two items:

- Events for 2006
- Donations for 2006 (Scholarships, etc.)

I would also ask chamber members to provide the board with input in these two areas.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 5:35 p.m.

**Our next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, December 7th @ 5pm at Frankie's Pizza.**

Respectfully submitted,

Jim Umland  
President, Monee Area Chamber of Commerce