

Olivet Community Chamber of Commerce

October 2, 2007 meeting

A regular meeting of the Olivet Community Chamber of Commerce was called to order by President, Becky Ramage, preceded by introductions, at 6:05 p.m. on **Tuesday, October 2, 2007** in the Community Center.

Present were: President, Becky Ramage; Vice President, Ed Heator; Secretary, Gail Duncan; Treasurer, Cindy Waun; members Paula Bashore, Jennifer Elliott, Ben Hart, Larry Marsh, Gary Peterson, Shirley Peterson, Becky Southern, Ponja Vahs, Richard Vahs and Jeff Wills.

The Treasurer's Report and previous month's Minutes were circulated and accepted as printed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Communications/Publicity – The directory is out. A one-page directory/information for college students has been distributed.
- Fundraising – Becky Southern discussed the cake raffle to be held on October 13th. She identified the drop-off point as Independent Bank or the school. Three more cakes were needed, and the volunteer list to bake cakes was re-circulated.
- Membership – There have been three more members added since the last meeting, bringing the total membership to 75 members.
- College – Ed Heator said he would like information for the next newsletter, slated for possibly November 1st. Parking for Homecoming was discussed, and the list was circulated again.
- Community Center – carpet-cleaning arrangements were discussed.

OLD BUSINESS

Becky Ramage reported that the window clings are in. They are to be placed on the window inside facing out.

Parking was brought up again. Richard Vahs moved that the Chamber purchase three handicapped signs. Ben Hart seconded. Motion carried. Ben Hart said he would check into this and handle it.

New Family packets were reported to have been distributed.

Regarding the directory, and Bruce Schneider's work on that, Ben Hart moved to purchase a gift card for Double Nickel in the amount of \$50.00. Richard Vahs seconded. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

In regards to the upcoming tree lighting, it was noted that we are lacking a Santa Claus. Ideas for a new one were solicited, perhaps contact the fire department. As far as the event in general, the plan is to contact many of the same participants as in past years.

Becky Ramage noted that Sarah Sowles suggested a Christmas party. Discussion followed, with the conclusion that perhaps a party in January to welcome in the New Year was a better idea.

The November meeting's potluck was announced.

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Jennifer Elliott mentioned a fundraiser for Wee Ones, involving babysitting.

Becky Southern said that the following night she would be attending a playground committee meeting, and would be handling a raffle.

Paula Bashore gave details on a gift-wrapping fundraiser. She said it is held at Barnes & Noble at the mall, and the Chamber stands to make \$1,200 - \$2,200. She said she would help facilitate this.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Gail M. Duncan, Secretary