Bremen Area Chamber of Commerce Minutes September 26, 2019 Meeting

The Bremen Area Chamber of Commerce met Thursday, September 26, 2019 at noon at the Bremen Bethel Presbyterian Church. Members and friends present were: John Boone, Marilyn Boyd, Lydia Coakley, David Foltz, Sally Grimm, Toni Harper, Mike and Sue Henwood, Bruce Kelley, Laura Kennedy, Earl Lehman, Rich Lines, Eric Mahler, Dee and Kathy Mowry, David Myers, Bill Pitts, Nicole Scott, Sue Schmitz, Ken Shofter and Loren Young. A quorum of members, as set forth in the constitution adopted July 26, 2018, was present.

President Mowry called the meeting to order at noon and opened with prayer and the pledge of allegiance. Lunch was served by the ladies of the church.

Introduction of Guests: Bill Pitts of N8 Chiropractic was introduced.

The minutes of the August meeting have been e-mailed to members. Hearing no objections the minutes were approved as circulated.

Treasurer Sue Henwood submitted the following report: Checking Account - \$6,547.93, Community Service Fund - \$7,970.37, CD - \$10,021.47, CD - \$2,520.84, CD - \$2,527.08. There were no objections and the report was approved as submitted.

Future Meetings: Senator Tim Schaffer will speak at our October 24, 2019 meeting. The Annual Meeting will be November 21, 2019 at 6 PM at the Bremen Area Historical Society and the December meeting will be held at the Bremen Elementary School with time and date to be determined.

Toni Harper reported the applications for the Scarecrow contest were down from last year. The deadline to submit an application is 9/27/19. Mayor Mike Henwood stated he had received favorable comments on the Bremen Community Days.

Marilyn Boyd spoke on the upcoming Meet the Candidate Night. This event will be held at the Bremen Area Historical Society on October 1, 2019 at 7 pm. Marilyn Boyd made a motion to donate \$250 to the Bremen Pumpkin Walk event with the check to be made payable to Kelly Tripp. Toni Harper offered a second to this motion. This motion was amended by Toni Harper stating the Pumpkin Walk Committee will be required to report back to the Chamber regarding how this donation was spent. The motion passed unanimously.

Bruce Kelley made a motion that up to \$250 be donated to the Fairfield County Junior Fair Livestock Auction. Kathy Mowry offered a second and the motion passed unanimously. David Foltz will represent the Chamber at this auction and will be in charge of bidding on animals. There was a request for funds for the Lancaster Playhouse. Not action was taken on this request.

Our speaker for the day was John Boone. John is the president of Stuart Burial Vaults. Stuart Burial Vaults is celebrating 100 years in business this year. John spoke on the history of the vault business and also the challenges they face doing business today.	
With no other business to conduct President Mowry ad	journed the meeting at 1 PM.
Minutes Submitted by Marilyn Boyd, Secretary	
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