

*Town of Woodbury Chamber of Commerce Inc.*

*PO Box 234*

*Central Valley, NY 10917*

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Minutes of meeting held on January 28 2013 at 8:10AM.

**Present:**

Officers: Joe Gianzero, Christine DerOhannesian, Frank Collins, Chris Arent and Justin Hunter

Members: Kevin Abrams, Susan Arent, John Burke, Bob Hunter, Maria Hunter, Eydie Lopez, Pete McGoldrick, Michael Queenan, Chris Scibelli and Dan Vaughn

Guests: Desiree Potvin

Joe welcomed and thanked everyone for meeting this morning. Thank you to the Bright Star Diner.

**Membership:** Christine noted that Brookside Café, Four Seasons, Bruce Schonberg and Better Homes and Gardens Rand Realty would be joining the chamber. Attorney John O’Friel is thinking of becoming a member

**Treasurer Report:** Ending balance is \$3,407.96, report given to the Secretary. Motion was made by Bob, with a second from Kevin to accept the treasurer’s report. All voted in favor of said motion and the motion unanimously carried.

**Minutes:** None taken at the December Social. Thank you to Palaia Winery, Jay’s for the great food and Rob Schiff for entertaining us. No correspondence received.

**Old Business:**

**Welcome Wagon** – Christine noted this still being worked on. Items are needed for the basket from businesses. Kevin voted to table the Welcome Wagon due to a lack of interest and progress. Frank seconded. All voted in favor of said motion and the motion unanimously carried.

**New Business:**

**Tri-Chamber Business Expo** – Joe stated everything is moving forward. The cost is \$50 for a space of about 10x10, signs will be made, and MW CSD will distribute flyers within the schools. It was agreed that pictures should be taken so we can show case them on our website.

**Speed Mixers** – Motion by Chris, with a second by Dan that the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of each month a different business hosts an hour morning meeting. Motion carried. March 5<sup>th</sup> Keller Williams will host the first Speed Mixer. April - DV Sign, May – Bumble Fly and June – Woodbury Printing.

**Nominating Committee:** Joe appointed Maria Hunter, Dan Vaughn and Kevin Abrams to the nominating committee. They will report back at the April meeting. Anyone who is interested in running should contact the chamber thru Secretary Justin Hunter.

**Next Meeting:** February 25th will be a dinner meeting location TBD.

**Adjournment:** With no further business to discuss, Kevin offered a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:10AM, seconded by Justin. All voted in favor of said motion and the motion unanimously carried.

Respectfully submitted,

*Justin Hunter*

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Minutes of meeting held on February 25, 2013 at 6:41PM.

**Present:**

**Officers:** Joe Gianzero, Christine DerOhannesian, Chris Arent, Frank Collins and Justin Hunter

**Members:** Sue Arent, Chris Scibelli, John Burke, Ben Meyers, Kevin Abrams, Dan Vaugn, Richard Spisto, Maria Peppy, Melony Richards, Robert Hunter, Patrica McDonnel-Megahey

**President's Welcome:** Joe welcomed and thanked everyone for attending this evening.

**VP Membership:** Introduced Melony Richards.

**Treasurer Report:** Ending balance as of February 25 is \$3489.96 after \$315 deposit and \$179 in expenses for the Bright Star Diner and Post Office Box.

**Minutes:** Minutes for January were postponed due to an error. No correspondence.

**Old Business:**

**Tri-Chamber Business Expo:** Christine discussed details of the Tri-Chamber Business Expo which is being run in conjunction with the Monroe and Cornwall chambers. Main details below:

- No vendors are allowed to sell anything. Only the official concession stand, which is going to be run by students for credit, is allowed to sell items.
- Each chamber has a free booth which will contain their own information as well as local historical societies showing local business history.
- Local bands will have a setup outside the cafeteria and will play a few songs each. At least 17 bands are confirmed. A jazz band will fill in music between setups.
- A family fun booth will be setup hosting all child related services, including a clown.
- Budget is \$1000 per chamber with 20 vendors covering the total cost. Excess funds will be put towards next year's event.
- A booth will be dedicated to newspapers who sponsor free ads for the event.
- Mike Bennet will attend for part of the day. Working with WHUD for advertising including coverage of the event. Expo committee is currently negotiating a lower price and finding sponsors. If sponsors can't be attained, this will be shelved.
- It was stated that the school is on board with everything and has no problems.

Concern was raised by Ben Meyers over the way the Expo Committee is willing to pay for all forms of advertisement except newspaper and felt the booth was not a fair concession. It was agreed that newspaper ads for Woodbury will be paid for.

An early draft of the signs to be put out on roads was shown off. Members of the chamber present, including those who are in the advertising business in different forms all voiced their opinions as to what needs to be changed on the design of the signs. After lengthy discussion of constructive criticism, Christine stated the Expo Committee will not be accepting input on the design of the signs from our membership and that the design will stay as it currently stands with minor tweaks.

**Next Meeting:**

**Frank C:** March 25 dinner meeting to be held at the Brookside Grill. More details to be announced.

**Adjournment:** With no further business to discuss, Kevin A. offered a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:11pm, seconded by Ben M with everyone voting in favor and the motion was unanimously carried.

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Minutes of meeting held on March 25, 2013 at 6:55PM.

**Present:**

**Officers:** Joe Gianzero, Frank Colins, Christine DerOhannesian, Chris Arent and Justin Hunter

**Members:** Robert Hunter, Sue Arent, Dan Vaugn, Chris Scibelli, Richard D'Ambrosio, Sharon Minutolo, Richard Spisto, Patrick Brosman, Angela Martens, Linda Brady

**President's Welcome:** Joe welcomed and thanked everyone for attending this evening.

**VP Membership:** Christine D. introduced new and present members Linda B. of Maternity Infant Services, Richard D. of Not Just Bagels and Angela M. of the Highland Mills Hawks.

**Treasurer Report:** Chris A. noted the \$200 bill of the bulk mailer was due for 2013, suggested that because it is unused that we discontinue it. Motion by Kevin A. to drop the bulk mailer, seconded by Dan V. and all voted in favor.

**Minutes:** Justin H. asked for a motion to accept the minutes for 1/28/13 and 2/25/13. Motion made by Kevin A., seconded by Chris S. and all voted in favor.

**Old Business:**

**Expo Update:** Christine D. updated the membership with booth counts as of 3/25 which were 22 for Woodbury, 20 for Cornwall, 40 for Monroe and 15 activity booths. Confirmed everything was going forward as planned.

**Morning Mixer Follow-Up:** Christine D. thanked Keller Williams for hosting the first mixer. Confirmed DV Sign Co. as the April host and restated the purpose of the mixers as primarily a networking opportunity for chamber members.

**New Business:**

**Facebook Page:** Justin H. stated that after numerous attempts at contacting the old administrator for the existing Facebook page have gone unanswered that the board has moved forward and started a new Facebook page. It is in the process of being setup and will be announced in an upcoming email.

**Chamber Pamphlet:** Justin H. let the membership know that the board is working on a 4x3 high stock / high gloss pamphlet for the chamber to be used as a informational card on why businesses should join the chamber. Members who are interested in keeping some in their place of business may do so, but the primary purpose will be for handing out at events.

**Memorial Day Parade:** Joey G. wanted to give \$50 to the Memorial Day Parade as a donation. Bob H. made a motion, seconded by Chris A. and all voted in favor.

**Next Meeting:** Next meeting was confirmed as a breakfast on 4/23/13 at the Highland Mills Fire Co. / Village Hall meeting room.

**Adjournment:** With no further business to discuss, Kevin A. offered a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:25PM, seconded by Dan V. with everyone voting in favor and the motion was unanimously carried.

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Minutes of meeting held on April 23, 2013 at 8:13AM.

**Present:**

**Officers:** Joe Gianzero, Frank Colins, Christine DerOhannesian, Chris Arent and Justin Hunter

**Members:** Robert Hunter, Maria Hunter, Richard D'Ambrosio, David Anthony, Dan Vaughn, Sue Arent, Chris Scibelli, Desiree Potvin, Mike Queenan, John Burke, Harold Reynolds, Pete McGoldrick, Kevin Abrams, Eydie Lopez, Sharon Minutolo

**President's Welcome:** Joe welcomed and thanked everyone for attending this morning.

**VP Membership:** Christine D. announced new members Ameriprise and David Hassin.

**Treasurer Report:** Opening funds were \$4027.96 and ending funds were \$4772.96. Chris A. informed the membership of the \$201.25 bill for State Farm Insurance renewal. Dan V. motioned to accept the payment, Pete M. seconded and all voted in favor.

**Minutes:** Justin H. asked for a motion to accept the minutes for 3/25/13 pending fixing a name error. Chris S. made the motion to accept the minutes with the fix, Richard D. seconded and all voted in favor.

**Old Business:**

**Expo Wrap-Up:**

- Christine D. thanks everyone who contributed towards the event. The committee felt it was a good success in its mission of promoting local shopping. Announced April 6 as the tentative date for 2014. A survey will be going out to all the vendors to ask what they felt worked, didn't work and what could be improved. Mentioned the Expo Committee already has a long list of changes for next year to work on, in addition to what the vendors suggest.
- Sue A. & Richard D. mentioned that Cornwall still had their signs up and asked that Christine would contact them to have them taken down.
- Chris A. asked what the financial situation was for the Expo. Christine replied saying the financials were still being wrapped up.
- Eydie L. asked if the intention was for profit and Christine restated that from the beginning it was never about profit and any leftover money would be put towards next year's event.
- Sharon M. and others mentioned how they've heard nothing but good things about the Expo.

**Facebook Update & Rules:**

- Justin H. mentioned how a non-member has requested an event be posted to the Chamber Facebook page and felt that this was inappropriate. Stated that to maintain the quality of the Facebook page that it should be restricted to Chamber postings and member events only but that the Chamber needs to work on a set of rules and guidelines for what is acceptable content on the page. Concerns were cited from what has happened with the Monroe Chamber's facebook page.
- After discussion it was decided to trial letting members only post events to the Facebook page for a month or two and see if it gets out of control.

**New Business:**

**Memorial Day Parade:**

- Joey G. started off with saying that we want to make a new banner for the 2012-2013 members to be used in the parade float and other events. Wants to use the same design and setup with Active Auto's trailer and a parade of vehicles.
- Chris A. made a motion for a \$500 budget beyond the \$300 for the banner for a total of funds not to exceed \$700 for the Memorial Day Parade. Eydie L. seconded the motion and all voted in favor.

**Nominating Committee:**

- Maria H. announced the slate of officers decided by the nominating committee for the 2013-2014 year.

**President:** Joey Gianzero

**VP Program:** Christine DerOhannesian

**VP Membership:** Dan Vaughn

**Treasurer:** Chris Arent

**Secretary:** Justin Hunter

**By-Laws:**

- After discussion of the by-laws, the board stated that they were in need of more updating and that all of the concerns voiced were already on the list to be addressed, among additional items. Items of concern included how many votes a single person can get with multiple businesses, what constitutes a member, how to handle non-voting members and the lack of term limits for positions other than President.
- Joey stated a committee is to be formed at the June meeting after the new officers are voted in and work will begin on the by-laws.

**VP of Program:**

**Next Mixer:** Next mixer to be hosted by Bumblefly on May 14.

**Next Meeting:** Next meeting is a dinner meeting on 5/28/13 at Cosimo's.

**Member Comments:**

**Maria H:** Announced Nike was having a sale and left friends & family coupons. Also announced the Firecracker Festival will be Saturday, July 6 and is looking for vendors and donations.

**Mike Q.:** Relay for life on June 8 from noon to midnight. It's an America Cancer Society fundraiser.

**Joey G:** April 27 is the Spring Cleanup, asks all who can to attend to help out.

**Sue A:** April 28 is a blood drive from 8 to 1.

**Kevin A.:** Keller Williams hosting a Monroe Chamber Mixer from 7:30 to 9 at 58 Stage Road.

**Adjournment:** With no further business to discuss, Justin H. offered a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:02AM, seconded by Eydie L. with everyone voting in favor and the motion was unanimously carried.

Respectfully submitted,

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Minutes of meeting held on May 28, 2013 at 6:52PM.

**Present:**

**Officers:** Joe Gianzero, Frank Colins, Christine DerOhannesian, Chris Arent and Justin Hunter

**Members:** Robert Hunter, Maria Hunter, Kevin Abrams, Pete McGoldrick, Sue Arent, Wayne Kirkpatrick, Anthony Roland, Charlie Knuth, Chris Scibelli, Ben Meyers, Lenore Romano, Dan Vaughn, Michael Queenan

**President's Welcome:** Joe welcomed and thanked everyone for attending this evening.

**VP Membership:** Christine D. announced Bumblefly Consignment & Boutique with owner Lenore Romano as a new member.

**Treasurer Report:** Opening funds were \$4672.96 and ending funds were \$3944.94. Three checks sent out for State Farm insurance renewal at \$201.25, Jay's Deli for food catering at \$166.82 and Yoursport for \$709. Deposits totaled \$350.

**Minutes:** Justin H. asked for a motion to accept the minutes for 4/23/13. Charlie K. made the motion to accept the minutes, Kevin A. seconded and all voted in favor.

**Correspondence:** Chris A. talked about a letter asking for donations towards an Eagle Scout project to install a boat dock at Earl Reservoir. Bob H. made a motion to donate \$150 to the project. Pete M. seconded and all voted in favor.

**Old Business:**

**Memorial Day Parade Wrap-Up:**

- Joey thanked everyone who helped pull the project together and those who participated in the float and fleet. Noted the good viewer turnout.

**New Business:**

**Slate of Officers (2013-2014) Vote:**

- Maria H. restated the slate of officers as follows:

**President:** Joey Gianzero

**VP Program:** Christine DerOhannesian

**VP Membership:** Dan Vaughn

**Treasurer:** Chris Arent

**Secretary:** Justin Hunter

- Maria H. asked if anyone wanted to contest each of the positions.
- With no contest on the slate of officers, Chris S. made a motion for the secretary to pass a single ballot to accept the proposed slate for the 2013-2014 officers. Kevin A. seconded and all voted in favor.

**Member Comments:**

**Mike Q.:** Spoke about the Relay for Life and possible consideration to delay it to next year in hopes for more time to plan the event. Requested donations towards the event.

**Chris S.:** Announced that Keller Williams is hosting a fundraiser for the Highland Mills Food Pantry on June 1<sup>st</sup>, from 9AM to 3PM. Looking for donations of both money and food. Requested that there are no glass containers donated and cans are preferred.

**Maria H.:** Brought up the Woodbury Firecracker Festival which is on July 6th, re-stating the need for both vendors and donations.

**Charlie K. & Pete M.:** W.C.A. Golf Outing coming up on June 7th, still looking for both sponsors and golfers. Gave quick information about the day and how the money is kept in town to help out the community in various ways.

**Maria H.:** Mentioned the South-East Task Force is having a discussion for Exit 131 on May 30<sup>th</sup> at the Village Hall. Asking for people to attend to help encourage the state get the overhaul back on track.

**Chris S.:** Announced that Bella Noche is having a Prom Dress donation drive. They take donated prom dresses and give them to girls who can't afford to purchase a dress. Event is June 1<sup>st</sup> from 12 noon to 2PM.

**Christine D.:** Proposed a job fair for students to help find them internships and jobs after graduation. Proposed date of June 28 from 7PM to 9PM.

**VP of Program:**

**Next Mixer:** Next mixer to be hosted at the Gate House by the W.C.A.

**Next Meeting:** Next meeting is a dinner meeting on 6/25/13 with location T.B.D.

**Adjournment:** With no further business to discuss, Chris A. offered a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:35PM, seconded by Dan V. with everyone voting in favor and the motion was unanimously carried.

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Minutes of meeting held on June 25, 2013 at 6:40PM.

**Present:**

**Officers:** Joe Gianzero, Christine DerOhannesian, Dan Vaughn, Chris Arent and Justin Hunter

**Members:** Robert Hunter, Maria Hunter, Pete McGoldrick, John Burke, Lenore Romano, Richard D'Ambrosio **Guest:** Terry Knight

**President's Welcome:** Joe welcomed and thanked everyone for attending this evening.

**VP Membership:** Dan V. introduced himself as the new VP of Membership for 2013-2014. Stated there were no new members but had a few in the works coming up soon.

**Treasurer Report:** Chris A. asked for a motion to accept the invoice for the website to cover the 2013-2014 year. John B. made the motion with Pete M. seconding it. All present voted in favor.

Chris A. asked for a motion to donate money to the Firecracker Festival. Dan V. made a motion for the sum of \$200, which was seconded by Joey G. All present voted in favor.

**Minutes:** Justin H. asked for a motion to accept the minutes for 5/28/13. Chris A. made the motion to accept the minutes, Christine D. seconded and all present voted in favor.

**Guest Speaker:** Terry Knight of Knight Design spoke about how businesses should go about creating a marketing campaign and websites for themselves, touching upon points such as determining who your target is, encouraging the use of professional businesses only for design and to limit the amount of people who have a say in the design process.

**Old Business:**

**Installation of Officers – 2013-2014:**

- The board thanked Frank Collins for his service as VP of Program for prior years.
- A quick swearing in was held for the following, member approved slate of officers:

**President:** Joey Gianzero

**VP Program:** Christine DerOhannesian

**VP Membership:** Dan Vaughn

**Treasurer:** Chris Arent

**Secretary:** Justin Hunter

**New Business:**

**Firecracker Festival:** Christine D. volunteered to run the table from 12 to 2 and Richard D. was volunteered by all present to run the table from 2 to 4. Joey G. reminded everyone to bring the board any materials they wanted posted on the table for the day.

**By-Laws Committee:** Joey G. decided it was best to wait for higher meeting attendance to discuss the By-Laws and form a committee, the item was shelved for a future meeting.

**Member Comments:**

**John Burke:** Mentioned the Thursday night meeting on the KJ Pipeline and the well near Cornwall at the Senior Center starting at 7:30. Encouraged all to attend.

**VP of Program:**

**Next Mixer:** Next mixer to be hosted by Flowers by David Anthony

**Next Meeting:** Next meeting is a breakfast meeting on 7/23/13 at the Bright Star Diner.



**Adjournment:** With no further business to discuss, Pete M. offered a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:47PM, seconded by Dan V. with everyone voting in favor and the motion was unanimously carried.

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Minutes of meeting held on July 23, 2013 at 8:20AM.

**Present:**

**Officers:** Joe Gianzero, Dan Vaughn, Chris Arent and Justin Hunter

**Members:** Sue Arent, Bennet Kogan, Kevin Abrams, Eydie Lopez, Ann Marie Moore, Scherrie Kennedy – **Guest:** Carol Dragone

**President's Welcome:** Joe welcomed and thanked everyone for attending this morning. Stated Christine D. was unable to attend due to breaking her wrist the day prior and let everyone know it should be a fast meeting due to that.

**VP Membership:** Dan V. introduced Scherrie and Ann from Nationwide Insurance as the latest members.

**Guest Speaker:** Carole Dragone of Primerica.

**New Business:**

**Ovarian Cancer Walk:**

- Joey G. brought up the Ovarian Cancer Walk, which is being held at Earl Reservoir on September 29. Wants to setup a refreshment table for the walk, sponsored by the Chamber. Coffee, orange juice, donuts and so forth.
- Justin H. made a motion to establish a \$250 budget for supplies with Chris A. seconding the motion. All present voted in favor.
- Joey G. we will be looking for donations from members first before purchasing anything.
- Sherrie K. said Nationwide Insurance is willing to donate orange juice and drinks for the table.

**By-Laws Committee:**

- Joey G. shelved this item for a future meeting with higher attendance.

**VP of Program:**

**Next Mixer:** Next mixer is 8/13/13 with location T.B.D.

**Next Meeting:** Next meeting is a dinner meeting on 8/27/13 at Kristy's.

**Adjournment:** With no further business to discuss, Bennet K. offered a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:58AM, seconded by Kevin A. with everyone voting in favor and the motion was unanimously carried.

Respectfully submitted,

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Minutes of meeting held on August 27, 2013 at 6:45PM.

**Present:**

**Officers:** Joe Gianzero, Dan Vaughn, Christine DerOhannesian, Chris Arent and Justin Hunter

**Members:** Robert Hunter, Kevin Abrams, Richard D'Ambrosio, Rachel Petrone, Chris Scibelli, Sherrie Kennedy

**Guests:** William Des Rosier, Kevin Geraghty

**President's Welcome:** Joe welcomed and thanked everyone for attending this evening.

**VP Membership:** Dan V. reaffirmed that dues will be going out for 2013-2014.

**Treasurer:** Chris A. stated opening balance was \$2131.48 and closing was \$1855.93.

**Old Business:**

**Business Expo Wrap-Up & Future:**

- Joey G. reminded the membership of at the first meeting of all the chamber's boards how it was agreed upon that all profits from the expo would be split evenly three ways. It was never meant to be a money making event but any profits were agreed to be split regardless. Present day, the money still isn't clear. Financial reports weren't given out to Cornwall or Woodbury and Monroe is holding on to a large sum of the money, which Cornwall is owed some of. The school bill was lowered from \$1,400 to \$700. We want to move forward but this lingering financial issue is preventing us from doing so.
- Christine D. stated that the bill for the school was paid and all remaining expenses were paid. Restated that terms somehow changed and profits aren't being shared.
- Chris A. reminded the membership that we paid Monroe a sum of \$1,000 and that we took in \$1,600 from booths making us \$600 in the positive. Stated that Cornwall paid out \$1,000 and took in \$1,000 from booths. Then stated that Monroe the most vendors but isn't telling us how much they took in. Chris also mentioned if the money was properly split three ways, each chamber would likely take in about \$500.
- Joey G. wrapped up with saying that the situation needs to be resolved before we can do anything in the future with Monroe again. Stated we will be drafting a letter to their president in hopes of getting this sorted out.
- Board and members present agreed as a whole that the next expo we are involved in will be run solely by our members and board but we'd still invite surrounding businesses to attend as vendors.

**Ovarian Cancer Walk:**

- Joey G. reminded everyone of the September 29 date for the walk and that we already have a \$250 working budget for our booth and refreshments. Brought up that he would like chamber members to sponsor shirts to give out, at least 200.
- Chris A. ten businesses at \$100 each will cover the costs off the shirts.

**New Business:**

**By-Laws Committee:**

- Joey G. shelved this item for a future meeting with higher attendance.

**Holiday Party:**

- Joey G. mentioned that we are looking at early December at Falkirk for our annual holiday party.

**Membership Participation & RSVP:**

- Joey G. asked members to please take the time to respond to RSVP emails for meetings and events because it makes it difficult for us to anticipate turnout.

**Welcome Center Sign:**

- Chris S. stated he is willing to put the Welcome Center sign on his property and offer a free office for the Chamber to use out of his building.

- Dan V. will talk to Gary Thomasberger about moving the sign there.

**VP of Program:**

**Next Mixer:** Next mixer is 9/10/13 at Nationwide Insurance.

**Next Meeting:** Next meeting is a dinner meeting on 9/24/13 at Village Hall.

**Member Comments:**

- Rachel P. let the board know that Provident Bank is interested in hosting a night meeting at the Highland Mills branch with catering and guest speaker included. Joey G, Chris A, Dan V and Justin H welcomed the offer and set a date for the October meeting to be there.

**Adjournment:** With no further business to discuss, Chris S. offered a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:15PM, seconded by Kevin A. with everyone voting in favor and the motion was unanimously carried.

Respectfully submitted,

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Minutes of meeting held on September 24, 2013 at 8:11AM.

**Present:**

**Officers:** Joe Gianzero, Dan Vaughn, Christine DerOhannesian, Chris Arent and Justin Hunter

**Members:** John Burke, Ryan Crosby, Maria Hunter, Robert Hunter, Pete McGoldrick, Kevin Abrams, Richard D'Ambrosio, Frank Collins, Sue Arent, Rachel Petrone, Ben Meyers, Chris Schibili

**Guests:** Laura Breslin, Karen Raiti

**President's Welcome:** Joe welcomed and thanked everyone for attending this morning.

**VP Membership:** Dan V. announced he has made stickers for chamber members to affix to vehicles or places of business to show their support of the chamber and provided all present with some.

**Treasurer:** Chris A. stated opening balance was \$1855.43 and closing was \$1935.93.

**Secretary:** Justin H. asked for a motion to accept the minutes for 6/25/13, 7/23/13 & 8/27/13. Pete M. made the motion and was seconded by Sue A. All voted in favor.

**Speaker:** Laura Breslin, the Woodbury Tax Assessor spoke in detail about the STAR Program and reminded everyone that they need to recertify by December 31<sup>st</sup>. Also stated that recertifying will likely be yearly now to reduce fraud, double dippers and incorrect filings.

**Old Business:**

**Ovarian Cancer Walk:**

- Joey G. reminded everyone of the September 29 walk in which the chamber will be hosting a booth for refreshments for the attendees. Registration is 8 to 9 followed by a warm-up and music with a DJ. Walk starts at the Guard House and will be three clockwise laps around. He would like all members to utilize the booth for handing out material and to make a presence.

**Holiday Party:**

- Joey G. let everyone know we are looking at November 15 as a lighter meeting / social event. It will be replacing the November and December meetings.

**New Business:**

**Halloween Crawl:**

- Christine D. announced that this year instead of doing a walk along Route 32, we will instead be hosting an event at the Smith Clove Elementary parking lot called the Trunk-N-Treat from 6-7. Businesses and participants will setup their vehicles as booths handing out candy from their trunks, which they decorate in the spirit of Halloween.

**Welcome Center Sign:**

- Dan V. mentioned that after looking at the existing sign he decided that it is too weather and age damaged to be moved without breaking apart so instead he is willing to donate a new sign to put on Chris Schibili's property.

**VP of Program:**

**Next Mixer:** Next mixer is 10/8/13 at The Gatehouse, hosted by the W.C.A. and Historical Society.

**Next Meeting:** Next meeting is a dinner meeting on 10/22/13 at Provident Bank.

**Member Comments:**

- Pete M. announced the annual Heart Dance will be February 8 at Falkirk. 100% of proceeds go to the Heart Association. Also stated interest with the W.C.A. working with the chamber with larger events, help each other out.

- Richard D. is glad to see the chamber doing more community oriented events. Would like to see the school board involved and the High School business department.
- Maria H. announced that the Firecracker Festival was a successful event with good feedback. The event for 2014 is going to be pushed back to September and will be reverting to its name of Woodbury Community Day. She would like to see more participation from chamber businesses and members. Certain old events from years ago aren't possible to do for legal reasons such as the soapbox derby. Fireworks will also not be held in September and that will be the Highland Mills F.C. and Town's job for July.

**Adjournment:** With no further business to discuss, Kevin A. offered a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:53AM, seconded by Ryan C. with everyone voting in favor and the motion was unanimously carried.

Respectfully submitted,

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Minutes of meeting held on October 10, 2013 at 6:40pm.

**Present:**

**Officers:** Joe Gianzero, Dan Vaughn, Christine DerOhannesian, Chris Arent and Justin Hunter

**Members:** Ben Meyers, Pete McGoldrick, Frank Collins, John Burke, Rachel Petrone, Tom Flood, Bennett Kogan, Colleen Pierce, Mark Kalish

**Guests:** Celeste Cecere, Bob Pysk, Dan Lofrese

**President's Welcome:** Joe welcomed and thanked everyone for attending this evening, thanked Provident Bank for co-hosting the meeting and thanked Jay's Deli for the catering.

**VP Membership:** Dan V. announced that Mark Kalish of Ameriprise as well as Woodcock Auto joined as members. Reminded the membership of the Chamber decal stickers that are available.

**Treasurer:** Chris A. stated opening balance was \$1935.93 and closing was \$1492.50.

**Secretary:** Justin H. asked for a motion to accept the minutes for 9/24/13. Bennett K. made the motion and was seconded by Chris A.; all voted in favor. Reminded everyone to fill out membership applications completely so that all records are accurate.

**Speaker:** Bob Pysk of Provident Bank who spoke about retirement plans for businesses and employees.

**Old Business:**

**Ovarian Cancer Walk:**

- Joey G. updated everyone that the event raised \$4,000 and about 200 people showed up. The event was a great success and wants to do it next year.

**Trunk-N-Treat:**

- Christine D. stated that interest is growing and encourages everyone to show up and decorate their cars. Multiple businesses, ESUs and residents are already on board.

**Mailers:**

- Christine D. reminded everyone that the mailers have gone out and briefly went over upcoming events.

**Expo:**

- Christine D. informed the members that the school had to take the planned date for themselves and proposed a new date that is two weeks earlier in March.

**New Business:** No new business was discussed.

**VP of Program:**

**Next Mixer:** Still looking for a business to do 11/12.

**Next Meeting:** Details still being worked on for the Holiday Meeting.

**Member Comments:**

- John B. mentioned a Democratic Party meet and greet on October 30<sup>th</sup>.

**Adjournment:** With no further business to discuss, Frank C. offered a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:27PM, seconded by Dan V. with everyone voting in favor and the motion was unanimously carried.

Respectfully submitted,

*Justin Hunter*

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Minutes of meeting held on December 3, 2013 at 6:48PM at Peppy & Eddy's.

**Present:**

**Officers:** Joe Gianzero, Dan Vaughn, Chris Arent and Justin Hunter

**Members:** Sharon Spitale, John Freitas, Chris Schibili, Maria Hunter, Robert Hunter, Dan Lux, Pete McGoldrick, Maria Perri, Steve Renoldo, Sue Arent, Angela Mertins, Audra Ludlo, Kevin Abrams, Frank Collins, Christine DerOhannesian, Harold Reynlods, Debbie Demesio

**Guests:** Adam Clouse

**President's Welcome:** Joe welcomed and thanked everyone for attending this evening. Informed the membership that the board has regretfully accepted Christine D.'s resignation as VP of Program and that we are looking for volunteers to fill in the rest of the term.

**VP Membership:** Dan V. announced our host, Peppy & Eddy's, as new members. Reminded everyone to pay their dues if they haven't and finally went around and have everyone introduce themselves.

**Treasurer / Secretary:** No reports or minutes due to being an abridged meeting.

**Old Business:** No old business was discussed at this meeting.

**New Business:**

**Expo 2014:**

- Dan V. stated that we are still looking to run an Expo for 2014. Informed the membership that the board met with Monroe's president and that unfortunately Monroe stated they were too busy this year to help run an expo but would still encourage their members to attend the expo. Despite Monroe dropping out for this year, we are still looking to move forward with it and are looking for volunteers to help run it.

**VP of Program:**

**Next Mixer:** January 14 – Woodbury Kitchens

**Next Meeting:** January 28 – Breakfast at the Village Hall

**Member Comments:** No member comments.

**Adjournment:** With no further business to discuss, Dan L. offered a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:54PM, seconded by Frank C. with everyone voting in favor and the motion was unanimously carried.

Respectfully submitted,

*Justin Hunter*