

Those attending: Patti Burns, Loch Lolly; Stewart King, TriStar Properties; Blake Boyles & Martha DeBry, City of North Plains; Dan Parsons, Impact Sign Company; Bridget Sorenson; Jessica Giles, Ride Connection; Brenda Lyon NP Christian Church; Paul Coussens, NP Properties, Anna Singh Gill, North Plains Senior Plaza; Sue Cropp, Lakeview Farms; Joanna Mehaffey, West Coast Bank.

Stewart King called the meeting to order and introductions were made.

The July meeting minutes were approved (no August meeting)

Golf Tournament Report: Joanna said that the golf tournament had gone well and that it was a sold out event. The committee will decide if the event next year will again be a night time tournament or go back to a day time event. There had been a mistake at the tournament and the wrong group was awarded the second place prize. The Washington County Fire district No2 firefighters were the actual second place winners, because the group was not at the Chamber meeting the prizes were given to Loch Lolly as they were the groups sponsor

Board Report:

Steve Centoni, Stewart King, Patti Burns, Bridget Sorenson, Joanna Mehaffey, Dennis Brown, Paul **Coussens**.

The By-Laws had changes made to them and each board member was given a copy to go over and check for any additional changes or errors.

The September Chamber meeting will have Recology as our guest speaker. Patti will contact Bill about attending the Chamber Meetings on a more regular basis; she will contact the State Police and the new Blue Berry processing company about speaking at future meeting.

Joanna reported that the Golf Tournament committee is ready for the event on Friday, September 9th check in begins at 5:00 with T-off about 7:00. Teams should finish about 10:00pm with the dinner being served about 10:30.

Patti reported that the Garlic Festival had a great year with attendance being up. We were approached by the City Manager and the Police Chief at the final Garlic Festival meeting that they would like the City to be more involved with the festival with the thoughts that the festival could be moved to the downtown area in the next couple of years. Russ Sheldon from the Knights of Pythias / beer garden will attend our September meeting to give their report.

It was brought up again that some of the North Plains Chamber Board Members would like to see about the North Plains Chamber and the Banks Chamber combining to become one. Stewart King stated he didn't like the idea, each Chamber has their own set of problems and why would our Chamber want Banks problem s or why would they want ours.

Paul Coussens made a motion to form a committee to establish a job position within the Chamber for a membership/ events Coordinator. Bridget seconded the motion and it was approved. A meeting will be held to discuss the job description of this position.

Steve Centoni has resigned as the North Plains Chamber President; he will be writing a letter to the Chamber membership stating his resignation.

Chief Snyder's Police report: The department has been busy with calls, they have been dealing with assault issues at varying levels and more DUII within the city limits along with some traffic issues.

Sue Cropp thanked the Chamber for the \$300.00 donation that went to the Mountain Top Ministry orphanage in Haiti. The donation bought pedilite & formula for the babies of the orphanage.

Recology was unable to speak at the meet today. North Plains City Manager Martha DeBry agreed to speak.

City Manager Martha DeBry explained to the Chamber members that the City is in the midst of updating their web page to make it more user friendly, and that it will have new additional links to help new businesses when looking for information on opening a business in North Plains. Be sure to check back as the changes are made. The city wants to become a partner with the Chamber.

Stewart thanks Martha for stepping in at the last minute to speak to the Chamber members.

Dennis Brown at Portable Welding & More was the name drawn for the cash prize, Dennis was not in attendance.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:45

The next meeting will be October 11, 2011