



EVERYBODY'S BUSINESS

The Official Newsletter of the Dousman Area Chamber of Commerce

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**Next Meeting:
Tuesday May 19th
12:00 Noon
Three Pillars**

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Farmer's Market

Nicole Riemenschneider
R-Farm

Dousman Times

Gini Brown, Nicole Billings,
Karen Arnz, Lynette Tyler

Our Mission Statement

To enhance the health of
the business and community
while retaining our small
town atmosphere.

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upcoming events!**

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Minutes from the April 21, 2009 Meeting:

The meeting was called to order by Mary Mecikalski @ 12:10 p.m. at Three Pillars.

The following members were present:

Gini Brown, Dousman Times; Mary Millard, Three Pillars; Nicole Billings, Three Pillars; Leslie Duaine; Cindy Queen, Dousman LP Gas; Ed Sarna, Sarna and Associates; Tricia Fox, ISB Community Bank; Natalie Berndt, Waukesha State Bank; Mary Mecikaski, Associated Bank; Dale Zabel, Kettle Moraine School District; Bill Wondrachek, Wolf Paving; Nancy Williams, Associated Bank; Lynette Tyler, Corner Store; Janine Markowski, Superb Services; Nicole Riemenschneider, R-Farm; Mary Kay Sokop, Lake Country Greetings; Shawn McKnight, McKnight Insurance Group.

Introductions were made.

Share the Field

Dale Zabel came to discuss the Share the Field Project. They are looking to install an artificial turf field. Kettle Moraine High School is looking to raise a total of \$500k which \$300k has already been raised. Dale said that some of the reasons they would like the turf field is it presents safer playing conditions, students will have to cancel less games due to weather, KMH will be able to host WIAA games and rent the field out. They are currently looking for 16 field sponsors. For more details please contact Michael Fink. Office Phone 262-968-6273 Ext. 4066 or e-mail finkm@kmsd.edu.

Natalie Berndt presented the minutes. Gini Brown made a motion to approve the minutes as corrected. Seconded by Leslie Duaine, motion passed. Minutes are now posted online, at www.dousmanchamber.org.

Tricia Fox presented the Treasure's Report. Leslie Duaine made a motion to approve the Treasurer's report as presented. Motion seconded by Cindy Queen, motion passed.

Farmer's Market

Nicole Riemenschneider gave an update on the Farmer's Market. Currently there are 16 full season slots sold and 4 weekly slots sold. There's still more interest. There are a total of 30 spots available for each week. Nicole said that everything is going smooth.

Quarterly Downtown Events

Lyn Tyler gave an update on the quarterly downtown events. They're currently looking at doing something with Flag Day; decisions by the committee will be made next week.

Vision Committee

Lyn also announced that the Vision Committee will be holding a Logo Contest, applications will be distributed to area business for pick up.

Garden Club

Garden Club met at the Downtown Clean-Up last weekend. Lyn said they will soon be looking at using some of last years budgeted money.

Business After Hours

Ed Sarna discussed the plans for a business after hours. The intended date, May 14th is being pushed back. The committee would like to showcase Dousman Business's. There was discussion on how to make this work, the committee will discuss further. If you have any input please e-mail Ed at ed@sarnasearch.com.

Derby Days

Leslie stated that we would be contracting with American Foods. Several volunteers that have helped with this event in the past are unavailable this year. Help is needed on Thursday July 23rd at 5:00PM to set up the tent, also on July 26th from 10:00AM until the parade starts and again to serve after the parade until 3:00PM. If you or someone you know would be interested in helping this year please contact Leslie Duaine.

Dousman Duathlon

A Dousman Duathlon will be help September 20th. Looking to see if the chamber would like to be involved. Liz made a motion that the chamber pays up to \$100 to update the brochures. Ed Sarna 2nd, motion passed.

Chamber Insurance

The chamber's policy doesn't currently cover officer's insurance. All of the current officer's have requested that this be put in place. Our agent is currently on vacation, once he returns we'll have some rates.

Garden Boutique

Three Pillars is having a Garden Boutique to be held Friday May 15th form 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM and also Saturday May 16th from 10:00AM to 3:00PM.

E-mail Blasts

Looking to possibly start sending periodic e-mail blasts/ updates on upcoming chamber events.

CentryTel Phone

The Frog Line had a total of 12 messages left last year. Sean made a motion that we drop one of our phone lines to get the price down. Seconded by Ed, motion passed.

Mary Millard Moved to Adjourn, Natalie seconded, meeting adjourned at 1:35PM

Respectfully Submitted,
Natalie Berndt