

Gladwin Business & Professional Association
Meeting Minutes of 01-07-09

Meeting called to order by President Shannon Greaves

Minutes of December 3, 2008 meeting read by Debbie Good. Motion to accept minutes as read by Dirk Presidio, Second: Lori Stout. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Stout

Checking \$1,800.93

Savings: \$7,868.07

Parade: \$1,771.20

Home & Garden Show: \$33.59

76 paid members

Motion to accept: Presidio Second: Tom Tucholski Motion carried.

Old Business:

Christmas Parade: Balloon Company will be returning \$2,500 due to issues with the one balloon and the wind.

New Business:

There was discussion on applying for 501C3 status for the Festival of Lights Parade. Motion was made by Tucholski to move forward with paperwork and applying for a 501C3 status at an approx. cost of \$3,000. Second by Presidio. Motion Carried.

Home & Garden Show: Show is still in need of a chairperson. Arena manager has agreed to assist. The show is the last weekend in March, the 28th and 29th. Currently no GBPA members or anyone in the building business has stepped forward to chair the Home & Garden show. Shannon will check with arena manager to see if they want to take it over as a couple years ago they had expressed an interest in this. At this point if arena is not interested we will cancel the show.

Projects and Fundraisers: Will be agenda items for our annual meeting. We currently do not have any fundraisers if we let the Home & Garden show go.

City wide Garage Sale: Discussion on dates of garage sale possibilities. Bob Moffitt needs a firm date as it needs to go before the City Council. It will put on the agenda for the annual meeting next month.

Easter Egg Hunt: Stout is chair. Scheduled for 04-11-09 at 11:00 a.m. Lori is taking care of details but needs help that day. Please let her know if you are interested.

Upcoming Elections: Dirk presented those Board members terms that are up for re-election. Dirk will check to make sure all are still interested that were not in attendance. This will be presented at our annual meeting next month.

Annual Meeting: GBPA's annual meeting will be next month, February 4th and will start with breakfast at Riverwalk at 7:30 a.m. with the meeting directly following @ 8:00 a.m.

City Announcements:

DDA is being asked to assist with the purchase of the proposed Banner Poles across Main Street by the Gladwin Historical Society.

January 30th Manufacturing Training in Mt. Pleasant

Upcoming Community Meeting for the Blueprints for MI Downtown grant, if interested contact Bob or Shannon.

Grants currently being written

- 1) Historical Society's schoolhouse refurbishing
- 2) Economic Gardening Grant

Meeting Adjourned. Next meeting:

February 4, 2009

Annual Meeting @ Riverwalk Grill 7:30 a.m.