

Gladwin Business & Professional Association  
Meeting of 3-1-2017

Meeting called to order by Dirk Presidio with introductions of those present.

**Meeting minutes** of 2-1-2017 (Annual Breakfast) were read by Secretary, LaVel Smith. Motion to accept as read by Bob Balzer. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Lori Stout. All ayes. Motion carried.

**Treasurers Report** was read by Treasurer, Lori Stout.

Checking Account: \$5,378.51

Savings: 5,341.55

FOL: 1,383.27

TOS: 5,309.82

Shop Local: 1,140.00

Arts Events: 3,852.72

46 Paid Members

Motion to accept Treasurers Report as read by Bob Balzer. 2<sup>nd</sup> by LaVel Smith. All ayes. Motion carried.

**Old Business:**

Welcome to Janelle Thurlow as a new Board Member to the GBPA.

**Super Fishing Derby:** The Fishing Derby went great. There were 323 registered people and \$11,600 was given out. The feedback from everyone was super.

**Business After Hours:** Vickie from JD Jewelers said the Business After Hours went very well and thanked those that attended. Any leftovers went to the New Dawn Shelter.

**Annual Meeting:** The meeting and breakfast were good at Meadow Lanes.

**Farm and Garden Show:** The GBPA booth will be at the Show on March 25th. Contact LaVel Smith if you have items to put out on the tables.

**Easter Egg Hunt:** Lori Stout has the Easter Egg Hunt organized for April 15<sup>th</sup> at 11 a.m. SHARP.

**New Business:**

**Officer Nominations:** Dirk Presidio was in charge of electing new officers. Dirk announced the previous officers and asked for any new nominations for officers and there were none. Bob Balzer made a motion to close the nominations. Seconded by Vickie Pickard. All officers will remain as the previous year. (Tammy Hawblitzel, President, Dirk Presidio, Vice Chair, Lori Stout, Treasurer and LaVel Smith, Secretary). All ayes. Motion carried.

**Business After Hours:** There will be no Business After Hours in March and the April Business After Hours will be April 18<sup>th</sup> at Thrivent.

**Announcements:**

**City of Gladwin Updates:** Bob Moffit said that the City will have a booth at the Farm Show, that there will be a Bike Path meeting on April 12<sup>th</sup> at 6 p.m. at City Hall which will be open to the public, gave information about the grant for the iron Removal equipment for the City of Gladwin, that Cleanup Day in the city will be May 6<sup>th</sup> and that the joint meeting for projects will be March 28<sup>th</sup> at 5:15 at City Hall.

**Farmers Market:** Bonnie Klein said the Farmers Market will open on May 13<sup>th</sup>.

**Business Updates and Announcements:**

1. Dirk Presidio announced the Souper Challenge benefiting the Community Foundation. The Challenge will be March 4<sup>th</sup>, 4 p.m. at the K of C Hall. Ticket price is \$10.
2. Pastor Blatt said the "Say Yes to the Dress" event will be March 11 at BAC. Pastor Blatt asked if the GBPA wanted to participate in the event by making a donation which would include 2 prom tickets, tuxedo rental and flowers from Village flowers which would be given to a person from Gladwin. A motion was made by LaVel Smith to donate \$150 to "Say Yes to the Dress." Seconded by Lori Stout. All ayes. Motion carried.
3. Flynn Lumber is making renovations to the business. Janelle from Flynn Lumber said there will be an open house on April 20<sup>th</sup> from 5-7 p.m.
4. Bob Balzer gave an update on Michigan Works and Beaverton's Saint Gobain.
5. Yvette Keast gave a Chamber of Commerce update and gave the GBPA information about TV commercials at TV 9&10 for upcoming events.
6. Joel Vernier spoke about the K of C Fish Fry and the Polish Dance coming up at the K of C Hall on April 29<sup>th</sup>.
7. The Gladwin County Record is making some changes making the paper more community focused.

Motion to adjourn by LaVel Smith. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dirk Presidio. Meeting adjourned.  
Next meeting at Northern Expresso at 8 a.m. on April 5<sup>th</sup>.

