

**Pearl River Board of Trade Inc. DBA Pearl River Chamber of Commerce  
Pearl River Chamber Minutes for General Meeting  
September 12<sup>th</sup>, 2018, 7:00 pm – LCM Marketing Agency**

**Call to Order by Brian Campbell**

**Roll Call – see below list of attendees**

**Report of the Treasurer:**

Checking acct: \$ 34,241.00  
Cash on the Town: \$ 5,980.00

**Report of the Committees**

**Committee updates**

- **Membership:**
  - 2018-2019 membership: 80 total, 69 business members, 11 residents
  - Linda Shields, Membership Committee Chairperson, reported working on brochure with benefits.
- **Promotions and Events:**
  - Movie Night in Summer: June 1 at Central Ave Field at sunset – was a success – would like to do it annually..
  - Multi Chamber Networking Event: June 13 –Saloon in June, hosted by Pearl River COC.
  - Sept 20 Breakfast & Networking with Power Circles (Chamber Alliance Event hosted by The Greater Nanuet COC)
  - Oct 2 Downtown Revitalization Study – Public Comment (Town of Orangetown) at Pearl River High School at 7:00pm
  - Pearl River Day 2018 – October 6, 11am-6pm. Brian Campbell reported – biggest fundraiser, need volunteers, still accepting vendors. Discussed selling wristbands in advance – logistical issue. Pearl River Day committee had meeting with Matt Reid prior to regular Chamber meeting.
- **Government:** Robert Tompkins reported 9/13 is Primary Day for Democrats and Independents.
- **Beautification:**
- **By Laws:** Brian Campbell discussed updating the by-laws. New committee: Patrick Holt, Matt Worgul, Lisa Leote. Last update 3 years ago – Robert Tompkins offered to be an advisor. Example to update – remove July meeting?

**Motions:**

Nellie Grossenbacher made a motion to approve the May meeting minutes. Debbie Paciello seconded the motion

- All in favor, no opposed

Pat Holt made a motion to approve \$14,928 (received quote) to purchase new items for Holiday Light (garland, light, etc.). Matt Smith seconded motion

- Vote – all approve, no opposed

Lisa Leote made a motion to create a committee for the revitalization – new committee: Matt Worgul, Nellie Grossenbacher to Chair and go to meetings. Lisa to assist. Goal to be organized for 10/2 meeting

- All in favor, no opposed

**Comments – Discussion**

**Old Business:**

- Relay for Life: June 9 event – Lisa Leote reported on the ACS Relay for Life – successful. Paint the Town Purple worked well– raised \$170,000. Thank you to all.
- Events Sponsored by the Town Supervisor/Town of Orangetown (Tentative)
  - City Slide – August 11 (cancelled due to threat of thunder/lightning– rescheduled to Sept 15) Sept 15 cancelled due to lack of ticket sales
  - BBQ and Beer Festival – TBD (pre-September) Cancelled

**New Business:**

- Welcome new members:
  - Steve Breen, People's United Bank
  - Mike Fidlow, Strategic Employer Planning Group, broker for small business insurance, small group benefits
  - Brynn Gill & Briana McKenna, Cornerstone Speech & Language
- Michael Russo, Russo's House of Pizza – Cars & Coffee: 100-150 cars show up at parking lot where Annie Sez used to be. Event on 9/23 from 8-12. Would like to bring event to Pearl River.

- Lisa Leote announced a Shoe Drive, contact for pick up or drop off. On 10/20 fundraiser at RISE – Shooting Education. On 9/23 Walk/Run for People in Recovery at Rockland Lake – 7:30 am-11:00am.
- Crown Trophy moved across the street – now has a Showroom
- Office Evolution – Grand Opening on 9/20

**Upcoming Meetings/Events:**

October 6 Pearl River Day, 11am-6pm

October 10 General Membership Meeting at Rockland Conservatory of Music at 7:00pm

October 31 Trick or Treating Event on Central Avenue – Dance Central to sponsor once again

**Adjournment** Brian Campbell adjourned meeting

**Attendees – September 12, 2018 General Meeting:**

Patrick Holt  
Vince O'Rourke  
Matt Worgul  
Annie Paratore  
Lisa Leote  
Carrie Boecker  
Jeffrey Gibs  
Jane Murphy  
Linda Shields  
Mr. Carmelo  
Robert Tompkins  
Brynn Gill  
Briana McKenna  
Nellie Grossenbacher  
Michael Fidlow  
Matthew Smith  
Brian Campbell  
Debbie Paciello  
Michael Russo  
Steven Breen  
Susan Perzigian  
Hilda Kogut  
Antoinette Flynn  
Michelle Worob  
Matt Reid