

Westside Association Meeting Minutes

Feb. 5-09

Meeting called to order by President Connie Drexler

St Raphael- 8Am Mondays- Support group for under/unemployed- network, speakers

Lenten Fish Fry Fridays from Feb27- April 3

Minutes- motion made to approve /2nd –motion passed

Treasurer's Report:

2009 invoices mailed

76 invoices sent to all current members and any company that has attended a meeting. A letter went with the invoices explaining Westside Association.

Chamber Report:

- Feb. 17- Annual Meeting at Convention Center
- Feb. 26- Business Expo at Convention Center
- Economic Breakfast is sold out
- Downtown façade program
- Tilted Kilt should open in March
- Assisted Living East Brook Senior Living- west of Traeger School
- Witzel Street- construction June – Dec. 2009 with roundabouts
- Washburn from Highway 21 to Witzel 2009

Donation Policy;

Guidelines for donations

Budget – 3 sections

- Traditional groups Westside has donated to in past years
- Requests that come during the year
- Amounts previously pledged over number of years (installment donations)

Motion made to discuss a donation to Chamco-

Motion made to table the request until the April meeting- passed

Guest Speaker: Bette Lang- Interim Superintendent Oshkosh Area School District

- 37th year in education
- June 2008 retired as superintendent from Stevens Point School District
- Staying as interim superintendent for another year- consistency with the referendum
- Board approved Referendum questions
 - Two phase facility plan
 - Question #1
 - Replacement of north side School -\$15 million (replaces Oaklawn)
 - Site location Ryf Road
 - Four track school
 - Provides space at Read School for Lincoln school, so Lincoln can close
 - Question #2
 - To exceed revenue caps by \$1.3 million for five years (\$6.5 million total) for deferred maintenance projects
 - Question #3
 - To exceed revenue caps by \$500,000.00 for five years for security upgrades at various schools.
 - Will increase taxes by \$52.00 for a homeowner of a \$100,000.00 home if all 3 questions pass

Meeting adjourned at 1PM