

Westside Association Meeting Minutes-January 6-2011

Meeting called to order by President Connie Drexler @12:00

Approval of December minutes –postponed to Feb meeting

Treasurer's Report-

- Deposit from Oct meeting for meals of \$50.00
- One payment for speaker lunch in Dec
- Outstanding- donation to Grand Opera House for 2011
- Balance end of Dec 2010= \$5252.20
- Invoices for dues to be mailed

Chamber Report:

- Both John and Rob are in Washington DC for Ron Johnson's swearing in to the Senate
- McCarthy's – new owner- received help with the revolving loan program
- Business Expo is Jan. 27 at the Convention Center
- New stores coming to the Outlet Mall
 - Coach
 - Yankee Candle
 - Christopher and Banks
- Marketing position at the chamber is open
- Reel Shop on HWY 45- high end fishing store
- Economic Breakfast- Feb 10 at the Convention Center- speaker Brian Beaulieu

Guest Speakers: Alan Davis- Community Development and Kevin Ciabatti- City of Oshkosh Inspections-

- Alan Davis:- updates
 - For the Fox Valley Tech Project- sent inspectors out to the construction site weekly to help coordinate inspections- helped head off problems- went well on the project
 - Saved time- able to make decisions on the spot
 - Want to do more projects like this
 - Implement a more formal plan
 - City budget
 - Included laptops for all inspectors to use in the field
 - Able to communicate back to other areas
 - Should save hours, perhaps even days
 - Working to have an outside facilitator
 - to work with various departments to may what they do
 - improve processes
 - will include all departments that work with commercial projects
 - Has met with OEADC, ChamCo and Chamber about marketing the industrial and business parks
 - Talking with the airport about expanding the Aviation Industrial /Business park
- Kevin Ciabatti-updates
 - Documenting processes
 - Working on the level of transparency
 - Working with IT to track efficiencies
 - Look at how efficient they are at plan review
 - Track activity
 - Whole process of tracking measurements
 - Working on satisfaction survey
 - Public education of what the department does on a daily basis

Meeting adjourned at 1PM