**GENOA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE**

Board Meeting January 07, 2021 8:00AM per Zoom

The meeting was brought to order by President, Dan Skees. **Those in attendance were: Dan Skees, Tim Davies, Luke Sutter, Megan O’Brien, Erick Scharer, Bill Kegerize, Matt Mackenzie, Jenny Caughorn, Brian Huston, Mayor Thomas Bergman and Marsha Lee.**

**Minutes no action.**

**Treasurer’s Report was emailed to Board by Erick.**

Old Business: A discussion concerning the presentation of the Lifetime Achievement Award. Former Mayor Bob Skilliter will be receiving this award. The original plan was to present this award during the tree lighting on November 29th. Since this event had to be cancelled, the Chamber discussed presenting this award before the Holiday drive thru event. Since the Drive Thru event was cancelled, it was decided that Dan Skees will talk to Bill Skilliter as to when and how we can present this award to Mr. Skilliter. Dan is concerned about the election of officers. Ben will be contacted as to whether we can vote by email. Luke talked to the school board and they very much want to have a representative to the Chamber. With the COVID-19 and meetings being held on Zoom only the Executive Board and Trustees are attending the meetings. We will be adding Mayor Thomas Bergman, County Commissioner Mark Stahl and School Superintendent, Mike Ferguson to the email list to be invited to the meetings. Our meetings will continue to be on Zoom for at least 2-3 months

Mayor Bergman would like to have a subcommittee to work on the mural planning. We have committed the $1500.00 that was designated for the tree to be used toward the mural. Mayor Bergman contacted an artist, Phybr, to give an estimate for the mural. This artist did a mural in Elmore and Port Clinton. The cost would be approximately $7000.00. The Chamber thought this subcommittee should be picked by the Mayor. Megan O’Brien has indicated she would like to be on this committee. Mayor Bergman has indicated the Bergman’s will donated $1500.00 towards this project. Megan brought up where this money should be donated. It was decided the Chamber Foundation because we are a non-profit organization. Mayor Bergman also gave some updates concerning the Starr & Lil’s property. The lien will be up in February ad the Mayor is hopeful the property will be torn down this summer. The Village received the Official site proposal forms. Drug Mart will have to annex all the property into the Village. They will also include a fast-food restaurant separate from the Drug Mart building. This will possibly be a Taco Bell. Update on the bike path: the Bike Path is open. Eric Hise found a cement RR marker that will be implemented on the bike path property.

Homecoming Update: Still have the theme from 2020 event that will be used if event is allowed. Matt commented that he feels nothing can be done before September. His gut feeling is there will be no decisions before mid-April and that would not give the committee time to complete all that needs to be done to hold the event.

With no further business a motion by Megan O’Brien, seconded by Luke Sutter to adjourn. Meeting adjourned.

Next meeting Thursday morning, February 04, 2021@ 8:00am, per Zoom

Respectfully Submitted,

Marsha Lee, Secretary