

DELTON AREA BUSINESS ASSOCIATION

January 20, 2010

The meeting of the DABA was called to order by Vice President Patrick Buckland at 8:10 a.m. in the Barry Township Hall meeting room.

Members present were Patrick Buckland, Sharon Keck, Drew Chapple, Becky Kahler, Wes Kahler, Cheryl Bower, Dee Defields, Bob Fisher, and John Gores.

The Treasurer's report was read. Motion to approve report was made by Becky, seconded by Drew. Motion approved. We discussed that we did not have a good response to the Coffee Fundraising project. We may have waited too close to Christmas for a delivery date. Cheryl has turned in all the proceeds from what she was able to sell at the Delton District Library.

The Secretaries report was read. Motion to approve report was made by John, seconded by Bob. Motion approved.

It was reported that we had a wonderful turn out for Delton Hometown Christmas. No one reported hearing any complaints, only compliments from those who attended.

There was discussion as to whether we should continue as an organization or disband. It was agreed that we would like to continue. John Gores said he would help to organize our annual meeting. It was suggested that we try to get Brian Calley, state representative, to speak at our annual meeting. It was agreed that we would have a breakfast meeting at 8:00 a.m. on March 15, 2010. We will have an election of officers and discuss the future of DABA. John Gores agreed to run for Secretary, Drew Chapple agreed to run for Vice President, Sharon Keck agreed to run for Treasurer, and Pat Buckland agreed to run for President. We will need trustees as well.

There was discussion about the "Thank you" ad in the Reminder published on January 16, 2010. The ad was organized by Jack Nadwornik of Tujax tavern. The ad claimed to be from locally owned businesses, but several of the business owners were not approached to participate. Many felt that the Reminder should have followed up with other local businesses and ask if they would like to participate in the ad.

Bob Fisher suggested that we set up a Facebook page to make us more visible. This may be discussed more at the Annual meeting.

We received a request for a donation to the Delton Kellogg Senior Mystery Trip. In previous years we have given \$50 to this event and agreed to donate \$50 again this year.

Bob Fisher made a motion to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 8:45 a.m.

Submitted by Sharon Keck, Treasurer

Next meeting: February 17, 2010 8:00 a.m. Annual Meeting: March 17, 2010 8:00 a.m.