

**Manchester Area Chamber of Commerce**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**Monday, June 14<sup>th</sup> 2010**



**Present:** Ray Berg, John Manor, Carol Britten, Karl Racenis, Carl Curtis, Sharon Curtis, Barry Allen, Peggy Allen, Kim Crampton, Dee Miles, Michele Ingalls, Kathy Roberts, Jeff Wallace, Lori Fordham, Beth Tomaszewski, Christine Yob, Jessie O'Jack, Ken Ascher, Janet Larson, Shawn Lewis-Lakin, Chris Kanta, Jim Mann, Jana Miller and Kari Newman.

**Called to Order at 12:30**

**Approval of Agenda:** A motion to approve the agenda was made and supported.

**Program: Ron Mann: "Southwest Washtenaw Council of Governments (SWWCOG): Purpose, Objectives and Recent Developments in Regional Services Sharing:**

This program is encouraging local governments and municipalities to increase regional cooperation on land use and other servicing costs while remaining independent. Ron talked about the need to have more interaction within these groups for planning to be more cost efficient and that local governments, the county, and the state would need to work together to communicate on important issues. Schools, water, sewer, public safety, transportation, parks, and transit coordinating services can save communities money. Challenges with bringing these services together include how to split the costs of services, along with who is responsible for each of the expenses of the combined services. Help of community organizations and involving residents in the implementation will be important as well as improving communication and relationships with the local business communities will be important to help this proposal succeed.

**Secretary's Report-** Approved as submitted

**Treasurer's Report-** Approved as submitted

**Reports from Standing Committees**

**Manufacturers-**None

**Membership-** 8 new chamber members added last month.

**DDA-**None

**Website/Facebook-** Michele Ingalls keeps up dating page as events come.

**Old Business:**

**A. Business Expo -** Another successful year. Event took place Thursday, June 3, from 3:00-7:30.

**B. Golf Outing planning** – Planning is all set. Event takes place June 16<sup>th</sup> check in at 8:00am. Partnership opportunities are still available as well as a few team openings. Please contact Janet Larson if you or someone you know is interested.

**C. PALM Event planning** – Thursday, June 24 Volunteers are needed.

**D. Ann Arbor Art Fair Townie County Hall planning** – Monday, July 19 Volunteers are needed.

**New Business:**

**A. President's Report** –

Ray welcomed new MACC members.

Thank You note was read to group sent to the chamber by the after prom committee.

Downtown flowers- Flowers on the bridge were done by The Garden Club purchased from McLennan Landscape and all others done by United Bank and Trust, Kathy Roberts and team purchased from Fusiliers this year.

Verna McDaniel will be at our July meeting to give chamber an update on Washtenaw County updates and key issues.

**B. ArtWalk** – Chamber was asked if we or anyone we knew would be interested in participating October 22-24.

**Adjournment:** A motion was made to adjourn and was supported.