

**Kodiak Chamber of Commerce
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
Monday, April 21st, 2014
Kodiak Chamber of Commerce Conference Room**

Present:

President Williamson
Vice President Peterson
Secretary/Treasurer Blondin
Board member Randolph
Board member R. Kniazowski

Board member McLaughlin
Board member Powers
City Rep. A. Kniazowski
KICVB Rep. Starrett
New Board Member:
Casey Turner

Excused

Borough Rep. Cassidy
Board member Bonney
USCG Base Rep. Capt. Woloszynski
Past President Deal
Board member Knight

USCG Air Station Rep. Capt. Rivera
KEA Rep Scott

Staff:

Trevor Brown, Executive Director
Summer Wood, Comm. Rel. Director

Laura Arboleda, Administrative Assistant

CALL TO ORDER

- President Williamson chaired the meeting at the Kodiak Chamber of Commerce Conference Room. The meeting was called to order at 12:00 p.m.
- President Williamson swore in new board member, Casey Turner.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA - Corrections/Additions

Board member Knight moved to approve agenda. Past President Deal seconded. Motion Passed.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. February 24, 2014 Board Minutes
2. Executive Director's Report
3. Economic Development Report
4. Community Relations Report
5. Membership Report
6. January Financial Statements

Board member Knight moved to approve the consent agenda. Secretary/Treasurer Blondin seconded. Motion Passed.

ACTION ITEMS

1. 2013 Financial Statements

Wallstrum Stevens Accountant, Janiese Stevens, briefed the board about the 2013 Financial Compilation where she gave a thorough summary of the revenues and expenses. Minimal

board discussion followed. Board member Knight moved to approve the 2013 Financial Compilation. Board member Powers seconded. Motion Passed.

2. Xerox Contract

Executive Director Brown restated the options discussed at the last board meeting regarding Xerox contracts. The type of machine was left up to staff, based on our needs. Board discussion followed. Board member Powers moved to purchase a new machine for the Chamber. Board member Knight seconded. Motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

1. Economic Development Contract discussion

Executive Director Brown updated the board about the latest happenings regarding the contract. He stated that the Executive Board will be meeting with the city and borough later this week to discuss the position. After an extensive board discussion on the Economic Development Contract, consensus was that the contracts should be ended and several suggestions were put forward on how to proceed.

2. Crab Festival Update, Midway

Community Relations Director Wood informed the board that the merchandise was picked up on Monday the 17th. She stated that the Crab Fest committee will be meeting more frequently during the next month and that ads have gone out to our local radio stations.

3. Comfish Update

Executive Director Brown updated the board about Comfish 2014. He stated that he is sold out of booths, but managed to squeeze in two more. He also mentioned that he received sponsorships for the forums. Board member Bonney had additional comments regarding the forums, as well.

Board Comments

- Board member Deal stated that the bank has been busy. He mentioned that our local Wells Fargo has been doing great with deposits and loans staying at record level and zero delinquencies.
- Board member Knight mentioned that gym attendance is low due to spring break.
- USCG Base Rep. Capt. Woloszynski mentioned that the golf course will be closing at the end of this golf season; however, two golf simulators will stay open.
- Board member Powers stated that Parks and Rec will be transitioning into spring activities. He informed the board that the ice rink will be closing down by the end of the third week of March.
- KICVB Rep. Starrett informed the board about their Business After Hours on March 21st, their first Outdoor Show on April 12th and 13th, and the Chocolate Lovers Fling on May 24th. She stated that the first cruise ship will arrive on April 25th and Discover Kodiak is

currently working with the Wildlife Refuge manager for additional bear viewing opportunities for the season.

- Board Member Bonney stated that the KFWG was holding a panel discussion on what to do with the trawler by catch management package; it will air on KMXT this evening. She mentioned that most of the pollock will be out of the water resulting in a huge quota.
 - Board member Turner informed the board that retail business has been slow, but Sales Tax Free Day had heavy traffic. He added that Alexandria's salon continues to stay busy.
 - Borough Rep. Cassidy mentioned that they are focusing on the budget for the borough and expressed that they are in the state of transitioning due to less funding. He stated that Kodiak is fortunate because it receives severance tax.
 - Board member R. Kniazowski mentioned that it has been an incredible pollock season. He stated that the school board has been spending time on lobbying additional funding from the state.
 - President Williamson stated that real estate market is slow as far as sales.
- **ADJOURNMENT**
- Meeting adjourned at 1:07 p.m.