

**Kodiak Chamber of Commerce
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
Monday, November 25th, 2013
Kodiak Chamber of Commerce Conference Room**

Present:

President Deal	Board member Blondin
Secretary/Treasurer Williamson	Board member Bonney
Past President Knight	Board member Brodie
Board member Powers	Borough Rep. Cassidy
Board member R. Kniazowski	

Excused

Vice President Vahl	KEA Rep Scott
City Rep. A. Kniazowski	Board member Randolph
KICVB Rep. Starrett	USCG Air Station Rep. Capt. Rivera
USCG Base Rep. Capt. Woloszynski	

Staff:

Trevor Brown, Executive Director	Rebecca Skinner, Econ. Development Specialist
Summer Wood, Comm. Rel. Director	Laura Arboleda, Administrative Assistant

CALL TO ORDER

- President Deal chaired the meeting at the Kodiak Chamber of Commerce Conference Room. The meeting was called to order at 12:05 p.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA - Corrections/Additions

Secretary/Treasurer Williamson moved to approve agenda. Past President Knight seconded. Motion Passed.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. September 30, 2013 Board minutes
2. Executive Director's Report
3. Economic Development Report
4. Community Relations Report
5. Membership Report
6. September and October Financial Statements

Secretary/Treasurer Williamson gave a brief update on the September and October financials. Borough Rep. Cassidy moved to approve the consent agenda. Secretary/Treasurer Williamson seconded. Motion Passed.

ACTION ITEMS

- 1. Identify 3-4 items from the Strategic Planning Meeting to focus on next Year**

Executive Director Brown briefed the board about items discussed at the Strategic Planning Meeting. Board discussion and suggestions followed.

2. Sales Tax on Saturday Markets

Executive Brown gave the board a brief description on this topic.

After an extensive board discussion occurred, the board agreed to take no position.

3. Revamping the CEDS Committee

Economic Development Specialist Skinner gave the board a summary of ideas regarding the revamp of the CEDS Committee.

Board discussion and suggestions followed.

4. Smokefree Alaska Resolution

Executive Director Brown updated the board on the Smokefree Alaska Resolution.

Board discussed the topic. Board member Brodie moved to table the Smokefree Alaska Resolution. Secretary/Treasurer Williamson seconded. Motion approved.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

1. Annual Dinner/Board Elections

Executive Director Brown informed the board about the upcoming Annual Dinner event and Board elections on February 15, 2014. Board discussed open seats.

2. Open

Board Comments

- Board member Powers mentioned that he attended the Resource Development Council meeting and said that it was great conference with attendance of over 2000. Board member Powers mentioned that Parks and Rec has a lot of events going on and he will send the Chamber a schedule for advertising purposes.
- Board member Bonney stated that she attended a Groundfish Planting meeting where recommendations are made for quotas for the next couple of years. She mentioned that most Groundfish species will see increased quotas over the next two years.
- Board member R. Kniazowski mentioned that fishing season is ending, and has slowed down in the past month. He stated that Pier 3 is meeting daily statuses. He mentioned that the new crane will also be arriving. Board member R. Kniazowski stated that they are anticipating October of next year for a partially completed dock. He mentioned that Kodiak was announced school board of the year competing against 54 other school districts.
- Board member Blondin stated that Credit Union 1's CEO will be retiring.
- Board member Brodie informed the board that the Redistricting Judge moved 100% in the boards favor. He stated that the Housing Task Force had a meeting where plenty of great ideas came up. He mentioned that there are 27 houses on the market during this slow time of the year for real estate.

- Board member Cassidy mentioned that he attended AML on behalf of the borough where all the communities around the state get together to discuss what the priorities are. He mentioned certain topics stated at the meeting and briefed the board about them. He mentioned that the comments are due at the end of the month for the Military Facility Zone. He stated that the borough and the city have joint board for hiring a new fisheries analyst. He informed the board that they are busy with the high school project. Board member Cassidy stated that the Long Term Care facility will be substantially finished by Thanksgiving. Lastly, he mentioned that the landfill project is winding down for the winter.
- Past President Knight mentioned that he was not able to attend Alaska Aerospace's Quarterly Meeting due to weather. He stated that he is also in this year's ballet the Nutcracker.
- President Deal announced that they are going to end up with another record year for loans. He mentioned new legislation for underwriting mortgage loans, this may decrease loan approvals as much as 30% by January.
- **ADJOURNMENT**
- Meeting adjourned at 1:20 p.m.