

**Kodiak Chamber of Commerce
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
Monday, October 24, 2011
Kodiak Chamber of Commerce Conference Room**

Present:

President Knight
Vice President Deal
USCG ISC Rep. Capt. Karl Moore
Board member Durham

Board member R. Kniazowski
Board member Sockwell
Board member Brodie
Board member A. Kniazowski
Past President Whiddon

Excused

KICVB Rep. Buckingham
Board member Friend
Secretary/Treasurer Salter
KEA Rep Scott
Board member Rush

KIB Rep. Gifford
USCG Air Station Commander Deal
Board member Lund

Staff:

Trevor Brown, Executive Director
Lindsey Howell, Comm. Rel. Director

Lale Gurer Economic Development Specialist
Laura Arboleda, Administrative Assistant

CALL TO ORDER

- President Knight chaired the meeting at the Kodiak Chamber of Commerce Conference Room. The meeting was called to order at 12:06 p.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA - Corrections/Additions

- Board member Durham moved to approve agenda. Vice President Deal seconded. Motion Passed.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. September 2011 Board minutes
2. Executive Director's Report
3. Community Relations Report
4. Membership Report
5. Economic Development Report

- Vice President Deal moved to approve consent agenda. Board member Durham seconded. Motion passed.

ACTION ITEMS

1. September 2011 Financial Statements

- President Knight mentioned the finance meeting held by the finance committee. Board member Durham continued with a brief description about the meeting.
- Vice President Deal moved to approve the September 2011 Financial Statement. Board member R. Kniazowski seconded. Motion Passed.

2. **J-1 Visa Letter**

Economic Development Specialist Lale Gurer presented information about the J-1 students.

- Board discussion followed with an agreement to take no position.

OLD BUSINESS

1. **Coast Guard Appreciation**

President Knight mentioned a successful outcome for this event.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Member Appreciation Event at Henry's December 10th

- Executive Director Brown and Community Relations Director Howell gave a brief description of this event.
- Board discussion followed.

2. State Chamber Rural Outreach in Kodiak July 10-11

Executive Director Brown and Vice President Deal gave a brief description of this event.

BOARD COMMENTS

- USCG ISC Rep. Capt. Karl Moore stated that he was thankful for the hard work put into the Coast Guard Appreciation Event. He also stated that the Coast Guard will soon be doing the National Housing Survey at the base.
 - Board member A. Kniazowski mentioned that they will be swearing in the new officials on the 27th of October. Also there will be a community meeting on the evening of the 28th and Saturday the 29th is the open house for the new library 1-4 pm. Lastly, she stated that her staff and her have been training for the Alaska Shield.
 - Board member Brodie mentioned that the interest rates are as low as ever. He also mentioned that many people are moving into town and opportunities are becoming limited.
 - Board member Durham mentioned that the community college will be taking on renovations. He also mentioned a project they will be doing that will allow students to study the climate of Kodiak.
 - Vice President Deal thanked chamber staff for hard work done during the Alaska Airlines business after hours as well as the Coast Guard Appreciation Dinner. He mentioned that the interest rates are really low.
 - Past President Whiddon mentioned that Pollock season is done and Halibut season has three weeks left.
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- **ADJOURNMENT**
 - Meeting adjourned at 1:10 p.m.