

**Kodiak Chamber of Commerce
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
Monday, April 30, 2012
Kodiak Chamber of Commerce Conference Room**

Present:

President Knight
Vice President Deal
Past President Whiddon
Secretary/Treasurer Williamson
Board member Brodie

Board member Johnson
Board member Powers
USCG ISC Rep. Capt. Moore
Board member A. Kniaziowski
USCG Air Station Commander Deal
Board member R. Kniaziowski

Excused

Board member Sockwell
Board member Durham
KEA Rep Scott

KIB Rep. Gifford
Board member Friend
KICVB Rep. Buckingham

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 12:03 p.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA - Corrections/Additions

Board member Brodie moved to approve agenda. Past President Whiddon seconded. Motion Passed.

PRESENTATION- Barry Altenhof, Career Tech

CONSENT AGENDA

1. March 2012 Board minutes
 2. Executive Director's Report
 3. Community Relations Report
 4. Membership Report
 5. Economic Development Report
- Past President Whiddon moved to approve consent agenda. Secretary/Treasurer Williamson seconded. Motion passed.

ACTION ITEMS

1. March 2012 Financial Statements

Secretary/Treasurer Williamson gave a brief update on the March 2012 Financial Statements.

- Past President Whiddon moved to approve the March 2012 Financial Statements. Board member Powers seconded. Motion passed.

2. **Letter of Support for John Whiddon**

Past President Whiddon gave a brief description of the Letter of Support.

- Secretary/Treasurer Williamson moved to approve the Letter of Support for John Whiddon. Board member Johnson seconded. Motion Passed.

OLD BUSINESS

1. **Book Project Update**

Community Relations Director Howell gave a brief update on the Book Project. Earliest release for the book will be early to mid-July. Expected to sell 7000 books within the first three years.

2. **Comfish Update**

Executive Director Brown gave a brief update on Comfish 2012. The only complaint was that vendors had to leave the convention to get food. Executive Director Brown informed the board that the show and forums were well attended. Overall attendance for Comfish 2012 was estimated near 2000.

NEW BUSINESS

1. **AMHS Reply To Proposal**

Executive Director Brown gave a brief update on the AMHS Reply to Proposal, which he stated was turned down.

2. **Crabfest Update**

Community Relations Director Howell stated that everything is coming along for Crab Festival 2012.

BOARD COMMENTS

- USCG ISC Rep. Capt. Moore mentioned that on April 25 the Coast Guard Base officially became Base Kodiak. He also mentioned that the FBI and CGI are continuing their investigation on the tragedy.
- Board member A. Kniaziowski stated that she is busy dealing with budgets.
- Board member R. Kniaziowski mentioned that another cruise ship was in town. He also stated that NPFMC will be held June 4th-14th at the Kodiak Harbor Convention Center.
- Secretary/Treasurer Williamson stated that she's pretty busy. She also announced that interest rates are low and that many Coast Guard families are moving in.
- Board member Brodie mentioned that the realtors made a quick presentation at the joint work session with the city and borough. He mentioned that they will need to put the interim plan into effect at the redistricting meeting which he explained is the original proclamation plan with an adjustment in the Fairbanks area. Board member Brodie also stated that there were 62 applicants for the Scholarship Foundation this year.

- President Knight announced that the Community Clean-Up is this weekend and following that will be the Kentucky Derby over at the Elks. He also mentioned that Bob Brodie will be having his Jazz concert that same evening at the convention center. President Knight announced that the Kodiak Chamber of Commerce was chosen for the outstanding Litter Program by ALPAR and Executive Director Brown and Vice President Deal will be going to Anchorage to receive the award. He also stated that we have a BAH for Leisnoi this month on May 18.

- USCG Air Station Commander Deal stated that they have had a relatively quiet search and rescue winter season. He also mentioned that they are undertaking their Navigation Support and bringing supplies up to the North Slope. They are also getting ready to do Search and Rescue matters this summer through October in the Arctic Ocean.

- Past President Whiddon mentioned that POP (Pacific Ocean Perch) opens on May 1st which is under the new rock fish program. Halibut season is still slow and prices are also holding steady. He also mentioned the sales tax debate at the city council meeting and stated that there's a chance to look back at their options.

- Board member Powers mentioned that land has been cleared in Shakmanof Cove in preparation for the Granite Quarry. The next phase of the project is pioneering a road to the beach.

- Board member Johnson stated that everything is looking good and they are getting a lot of reservations for the summer.

- Executive Director Brown thanked Board member Johnson for allowing the Chamber to use the Convention Center for ComFish.

- **ADJOURNMENT**

- Meeting adjourned at 1:07 p.m.