

**Kodiak Chamber of Commerce  
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes  
Monday, July 16, 2012  
Kodiak Chamber of Commerce Conference Room**

**Present:**

President Knight	Board member R. Kniaziowski
Secretary/Treasurer Williamson	Board member Johnson
Vice President Deal	Board member Durham
Past President Whiddon	Board member Sockwell
Board member Brodie	Board member Powers
Board member A. Kniaziowski	

**Excused**

USCG Air Station Commander Deal	KICVB Rep. Buckingham
KEA Rep Scott	USCG ISC Rep. Capt. Moore
KIB Rep. Gifford	Board member Friend

**Staff:**

Trevor Brown, Executive Director	Lale Gurer, Economic Development Specialist
Summer Wood, Comm. Rel. Director	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 12:01 p.m.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA - Corrections/Additions**

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

**CONSENT AGENDA**

1. June 2012 Board minutes
2. Executive Director's Report
3. Community Relations Report
4. Membership Report
5. Economic Development Report

Vice President Deal moved to approve agenda. Secretary/Treasurer Williamson seconded. Motion Passed.

**ACTION ITEMS**

**1. June 2012 Financial Statements**

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

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

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **1. Book Update**

Executive Director Brown gave a brief update about the Kodiak Books and stated that each State Chamber participant received a Kodiak Book and other items.

### **2. State Chamber Rural Outreach**

Vice President Deal gave a brief statement about the State Chamber Rural Outreach. He stated that everything went extremely well.

President Knight mentioned that Rachel Petro of the Alaska Chamber was impressed with the outreach and she asked Executive Director Brown to help out with the Seward Outreach next year. Board member Powers also stated that the Resource Development Council would like to do an outreach in Kodiak next summer.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **1. Ballot Measure 2 Discussion/Action**

Executive Director Brown gave a brief description about Ballot Measure 2.

Board discussions followed with a suggestion to get more information about Ballot Measure 2 and to have a Chamber hosted forum describing the pros and cons of coastal management to better educate voters. Chamber Luncheon scheduled for August 6th.

### **2. Mall Area Issues with Vagrants**

Executive Director Brown gave a brief description about the complaints.

## **BOARD COMMENTS**

- Board member R. Kniazowski stated that the 2<sup>nd</sup> edition of the Kodiak Book contains great photos. He also mentioned that the new regulation from EPA requiring using ultra-low sulfur fuel will have a cumbersome effect on the shipping costs. He stated that they have increased their first ultra-low sulfur fuel purchase by 34.5%. He suggested that a resolution needs to be done to fight these new requirements that will drive shipping prices up significantly.
- Board member Sockwell stated that the new windmill project is well underway and will start on August 1<sup>st</sup>.
- Board member Powers mentioned that he enjoyed the State Chamber event and that he is very energized by the actions the Chamber will be taking to make issues known to the community of Kodiak.
- Secretary/Treasurer Williamson stated that the board of realtors met with the city and the borough at a joint work session a month ago where a member of the borough discussed a plan to potentially dispose of property near the Woody Way Field. She quoted that no matter where or if they open property it will be sold at fair market.
- Past President Whiddon mentioned that the city has accepted 18 million dollars' worth of state funds to begin Pier 3 and 15 million is still expected. He commented that these funds are from oil revenues. He also stated that the city has allocated 23 million for funding. He mentioned that there is a lot of economic activity in Kodiak and resources

are being brought to the community through the legislators, lobbyists, and the hard work of City Manager, Aimee Kniaziowski, and staff. Past President Whiddon mentioned that the City and Borough are working to take a position on gulf rationalization. He stated that the City and Borough's goal is to maintain the economic strength of the waterfront.

- President Knight mentioned the Business After Hour for July will be for Northern Exposure Gallery, Janet Wentz, celebrating 35 years of business. He also mentioned Captain Deal's Change of Command which will be taking place on July 27.

- **ADJOURNMENT**

- Meeting adjourned at 1:10 p.m.