

January Minutes

Cummings Lumber Company in Troy hosted the first meeting of the year for the Troy Chamber of Commerce on Wednesday, Jan. 4 at noon.

Those in attendance were: Zachary Gates, Bonnie Seeley, Robyn Cummings, Veronica Seymour, Mike Bridgham, Scott Cummings, Deb Lutz, Jenifer Putnam, Gayle Morse, Elizabeth Card, Sherry Lambert and Cassy Dygert.

Cummings Lumber provided a luncheon consisting of sloppy joes, macaroni and cheese and cookies from Troy Diner, along with drinks and snacks.

Unfortunately, President Gates opened his final meeting as President with the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

The Minutes of the November meeting were reviewed and approved, with a Motion by Robyn Cummings, seconded by Seymour.

Treasurer Card gave the Treasurer's Report. A donation was received for the downtown lighting, along with a few other donations.

Committee Reports

Robyn Cummings praised everyone that was involved, participated and attended the Banquet for the presentation of awards to the Person and Business of the Year. It was a well attended event and the feedback she received was good. It did cost money with renting the space and paying for the food, etc. They will plan on doing this again for this year, with the anticipation that more businesses would participate.

Seeley advised that a Membership meeting will be held on Wednesday, Jan. 11 at 5:00 p.m. at First Citizens Community Bank in Troy. Packets will be put together, along with a list of the meetings and locations will be sent with the membership applications. Also, Seeley has the list of the various committees, if anyone would like to join one or more of them to be involved and assist with any of them.

Card indicated that the tentative dates for removing the Christmas Decorations will be Sunday, Jan. 15, with a make-up date of Jan. 22. On Jan. 15 the Sons of the Legion are holding a breakfast and on Jan. 22 the Troy Fire Co. is having one. Putnam indicated the Troy Vets Club would pay for breakfast on the day anyone volunteers to help take down the decorations, with Card to make those arrangements.

New Business

A Budget Committee Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, Jan. 25 at noon at the First Citizens Community Bank in Troy.

For the Election of Officers, Robyn Cummings nominated Seeley as President, which she accepted. Seeley nominated Trish Wilkinson as Vice-President, which she had already told Seeley she would accept. Bridgham nominated Card for Treasurer, which she accepted and Sherry Lambert was unanimously nominated as Secretary, which she accepted. All Chamber Council voted in favor of all of the aforementioned officers.

Business Announcements

Seymour provided the report for the Troy Sale Barn. She announced the archery league is beginning on Wednesdays, Jan. 11 to March 15, from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the Troy Sale Barn, directed by Christi Warren. They will also be holding their largest fundraiser for the year with local singer, Clark Jackson and featuring Bluestone Brewing Company and Mountain Lake Winery on Saturday, Jan. 21. Doors open at 6 p.m., with donation at the door. They are accepting donations for raffles to benefit the barn.

Sadie Allen painted a new mural which shows the old arena where they sold the cows.

Putnam gave the Troy Vets Club report. They will have their pancake dinners on the second Wednesday of every month, with the next dinner being Feb. 8 from 5-7 p.m. Also, the Sons of American Legion will have a breakfast on Sunday, Jan. 15 from 7-11 a.m. On Sunday, Jan. 22 they will hold a Chili Cook-off, with a \$5 entry, \$5 tasting fee and \$1 to vote, with the prize being the money collected.

Lutz stated unfortunately Barbara Barrett could not make the meeting but Barrett wanted to thank everyone for her award.

Seymour also advised that Kids Can't Fight Cancer are holding their big fundraising Texas Hold'em event again this year at the Troy Vets Club on Saturday, Jan. 28 from 1-9 p.m. They had 88 present last year. There are still some spots open.

Morse of Gannon Assoc. inquired about the Hometown Hero Banners. Gates indicated they have held this program but are willing for any group or organization to take control of it and will provide them with all the information they have. He is not sure but there may be a minimum number of orders required to place an order.

Robyn Cummings made a Motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Bridgham.

The next meeting will be held at the Bradford County Manor on Wednesday, Feb. 1 at noon.