

Greater Hartford Area Chamber of Commerce
Meeting Minutes for November 1 ,2023

I. Meeting called to order at 5:30pm

II. Roll Call: Matt, Stephanie. Nancy, Patty and Pat. Guests: Jane

III. Approval of minutes

Motion was made by Pat to accept minutes. Seconded by Patty.

All approved.

IV. Treasurer's Report

Motion to approve by Pat, seconded by Matt.

All approve.

V. Old Business

a. Strawberry Festival Entertainment.

Motion was made by Pat to contract with the All Nitters Band for Saturday, June 8 for 4pm to 9pm for \$1,200. Seconded by Matt. All approve.

b. Chamber – 501c3 status-update. Application in process.

c. Website changes- It was confirmed that we own our domain name. Comparison sheet regarding website hosts was presented.

Motion was made to use Wiz.com for 1 year for our new chamber website by Matt. Seconded by Pat. All approve.

f. Annual Banquet- Fe. 12, 2024 @6pm at El Primo- Guest Speakers: Susan Zuiderveen and Todd Gustafson from Knex.

Motion was made to raise the annual banquet ticket price to \$25 by Nancy and seconded by Matt. All approve.

VI. New Business

a. Alison Harrop, Director of United Christian Services presented information on the free services they provide for the people of Van Buren County. They provide emergency assistant, free laundry program, clothing, food and personal items to families in need. She provided information flyers and their services.

b. Christmas in Hartford is Saturday, December 9 from 5pm to 7:30pm. The parade starts at 6pm followed by free photos with Santa. The Ugly Sweater contest will be at 7pm.

c. Amendment to the Chamber by-laws was made by Matt and seconded by Pat. All approve.

VII. Motion to adjourn made by Stephanie, seconded by Matt All approve. Adjourned at 6:40pm.