Community Improvement of Algoma (CI of A)
Meeting Minutes
August 23, 2017
Boat Club

Board Members Present: Paula Levy, Ann Schmitz, Merle Colburn, Sue Hepp, Craig Peterman, and Bob Kuhn

Absent: Nicole Meverden

Others Present: Jan Dart, Mitch Groessl, Tom Levy, and Jim Rabas.

1. Paula called the meeting to order at 4:01 p.m.

2. June meeting minutes were approved. *(No meeting in July)* Motion by Bob; second by Merle. Motion carried.

3. **Treasurer's Report:** Since the June meeting, $708.00 was expensed and a check for $240.00 from the Algoma Fire/Rescue car show concession percentage was deposited. Balance in checking account is $2,420.76; Money Market balance is $31,762.82. Motion to accept treasurer's report by Ann; second by Bob. Motion carried.

Merle will transfer $12,000.00 from the money market to checking for Wet Whistle Wine Fest 'seed' money. $10,000.00 for wine sales, $1000.00 for the gate, and $1000.00 for beverage and retail booth sales. Receipts from this event, September 15 and 16, will be returned to the money market account.

Merle received a letter from Derin regarding filing our tax return which is due January 15, 2018. With the sale of the Main Street building and no employee payroll this time, it probably would be a good move to hire Schenck. Estimated cost would be between $1200.00 - $1500.00. No action was taken but it will be included for the September agenda.

He also received correspondence from the Bank of Luxemburg regarding a Feed America fundraiser. There are basically three levels for donations: Gold, silver, and bronze. No action was taken at this meeting; however, it will be included for the September agenda.

Old Business
2018 Calendar: Sales are slow. Some of the businesses have them but are not always displayed prominently.

Shanty Days: Nicole wasn't at the meeting; however, Ann spoke for her and said that she was very pleased with the Pool Tournament. It was a very nice addition to the festivities.

New Business
Wine Fest: Discussion and questions regarding LED sign for the event. Cost for the license, *(Jan thought $40.00)* placement of the sign,*(best place would be Legion Park)*, and date the sign would be in place.

Wine Fest (in charge)
      Gates: Ann Schmitz
      Retail Booth: Kathy Colburn
      Bartenders: TBD

Derin will be at Wine Fest and will take care of collecting money from the gates, beverage area, and the retail booth. Receipts will be placed in the bank dropbox. Craig and Merle will meet at the bank on Monday morning to count and record the receipt amount.

Mural Maintenance The mural between the hardware stores needs maintenance. Paula asked if there was money in the treasury for this. The amount listed on the accounting report is $949.00. It was decided that an assessment of all murals would take place to see what needs to be done and get somewhat of an estimate. Paula will contact Dave Petry for this project.

Algoma Fire/Rescue Fundraiser: Discussion but no action taken as this will be on the September agenda.

What is our Mission: Paula asked us to think about what the CI of Algoma mission is. She felt that CI of Algoma should not be just an organization that holds fundraisers. What can we do for the community?

One item that was brought forth is a kayak/canoe launch for Olson Park. Jim had photos to show what it possibly would look like. Many questions regarding size, railing, cost, etc. The Utility has already donated $1000.00 which needs to be used within a year or they lose it.

The September 20 meeting will focus on Wine Fest income and expenses and the October 18 meeting will be a brainstorming session. Paula will invite key community members to get their input as to what community projects or items they would recommend. Sara Robertson, Sara Krouse, and Jennifer Brown were a few names mentioned.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, September 20 at 4:00 p.m. (Boat Club)

Motion made by Merle to adjourn at 4:55 p.m.; Ann second. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,
Sue Hepp, Secretary