

Maple Lake Chamber of Commerce, Inc.

Board Meeting Minutes

The noon meeting was called to order by President Nick Pawlenty on September 30th at Subway. Board Members present were President Nick Pawlenty, Co-Treasurer Kathy Hennen, Co-Treasurer Lorie Hegle, and Secretary Caleb Haag. Vice President Doug Lindenfesler, Mike Rowe, and Scott Chantland were absent.

Secretary's Report: The minutes from the August 26th, 2026 meeting were sent with meeting notice. A motion was made by Lorie Hegle and second by Kathy Hennen to approve the secretary's report.

Treasurer's Report: Kathy Hennen reported the balances as follows: Total chamber checking account is \$15,636.39 with \$11,634.26 for the general fund, \$4,002.13 for the Industrial Development Group. Maker's and Grower's checking balance is \$22,812.07. The Gearhead checking balance is \$26,496.93 with \$24,702.55 for Gearhead and \$4,794.38 for the Snow Machine event. Lord Abbett Investment fund is \$8,975.03. A motion was made by Lorie Hegle and second by Caleb Haag to approve the treasurer's report.

Old Business:

Cash Raffle: Tickets are slowly coming in. Currently our net profit is sitting at around \$1,200.00.

St. Patrick's Day 50th Parade: Nick Pawlenty reported that they are going to be moving forward with the scavenger Hunt, Business Punch Card, and the Chalk artist. They are working on the financials and getting sponsorship letters ready. They are also looking at apparel and doing a petting zoo. Apparel will not have a specific year/date, so the chamber could sell them past the 50th anniversary date.

Gearhead Get Together: No update.

Maker's & Grower's Market: Lorie Hegle reported they had a great year. They are currently working on confirming dates for 2027, which will occur in the next couple of weeks.

Fall Craft Sale: Kathy Hennen reported that the fall craft sale is in motion, with about 25 vendors signed up so far. Event takes place on Saturday, November 14th.

Christmas in Maple Lake:

The Board talked about getting someone to chair the event, as the royalty did not wish to continue. We have a volunteer with the Maple Lake Library that is willing to help but does NOT wish to chair the event. It was decided that if there was no one to chair the event this year, it will be canceled. President Nick Pawlenty stated that he will stress this at the general membership meeting on Wednesday.

Our next chamber board meeting will be on Wednesday, October 28th, 2026 at noon at Subway. A motion was made by Lorie Hegle and second by Kathy Hennen to adjourn the meeting.