

ROANOKE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
Minutes of Chamber Board Meeting
December 13, 2007

President Dave Harris called a regular board meeting of the Roanoke Chamber of Commerce, Board of Directors, to order at 6:38 a.m. on Thursday December 13, 2007 at Joseph Decuis Corporate Offices, Main Street, Roanoke, Indiana. Dave Harris, John Klingenberger, Jim Warner, Alice Eshelman, Nancy Weigelt, and Chris Jensen were in attendance.

Dave Harris opened the meeting by asking all attendees to stand and recite the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: There was no discussion regarding the November minutes. Jim Warner motioned to accept the minutes as presented. Alice Eshelman seconded. Motion passed.

PRESIDENT’S REPORT – DAVE HARRIS – CHAMBER PRESIDENT

Dave Harris announced that the new Chamber Board members, with a 3 year term effective January 1, 2008, will be Mike Gibson, Julie Reusser, and Valerie Powers. Dave Harris, Jim Warner, and John Klingenberger will be leaving the Board as their terms expire on December 31, 2008. Dave graciously thanked John Klingenberger and Jim Warner for their many contributions to the Roanoke Chamber and the Roanoke community during their tenure.

Dave Harris noted that the next issue of Floorboards would be printed and mailed in January.

Dave Harris passed out a copy of the Roanoke Revolving Development Fund bylaws for all members to review.

TREASURER’S REPORT

A copy of the Treasurer’s Report for the month of November was distributed along with monthly profit and loss statements. Jim Warner made a motion to accept the Treasurer’s Report. John Klingenberger seconded. Motion passed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Membership Committee - Jim Warner – Chairperson

The letter for the 2008 membership drive has been sent out, and we have already received a record early response to the membership drive. So far 38 members have sent in their dues for 2008.

Farmer's Market – Dave Harris - Chairperson

Dave Harris reminded the board members that the Chamber should continue to seek new vendors/participants to bolster our Farmer's Market in 2008.

Christmas in the Village – Michelle Schwieterman – Chairperson

Christmas in the Village was a great success this year with over 100 kids joining in the festivities. Nancy Weigelt reported that the Cornerstone Alliance Church served over 80 people for their free breakfast with Santa Claus. This was the seventh year that the church has served the breakfast to the community.

REDO – John Klingenberger – Chairperson

John Klingenberger was pleased to report on the status of the Strategic Development Plan. Sherry Rose will complete the interview process with local area citizens and business leaders in early January. Sherry will then put together a report of the information gleaned from the interviews. Dave Harris noted the importance of communicating the Strategic Plan to the Roanoke Chamber business members and the Roanoke citizens.

John Klingenberger reported that REDO would be holding their next meeting on December 19, 2007.

NEXT MEETING

The next Board meeting will be held Thursday January 10, 2008 at 6:30 a.m. at Joseph Decuis Corporate Offices, Main Street, Roanoke, Indiana.

ADJOURNMENT

Jim Warner made a motion to adjourn. John Klingenberger seconded. The meeting adjourned at 7:19 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Chris Jensen, Secretary