



**Vicksburg Chamber of Commerce**  
Meeting Minutes  
Monday, September 10, 2018, 6 p.m.  
Distant Whistle Brewery

**In Attendance:** Nick DeVito, Sydney Bastos, Terry Barnes, Don Ruggiero, Mandy Miller, Charlie Church, Jack Pearsall, Sue Moore, Linda Adams

**Dates Set for 2019:**

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| March 9 | Chili Cook-Off   |
|         | We will also be promoting job opportunities with participating businesses. This will be in place of a separate Job Fair event.                 |
| July 13 | Taste of Vicksburg Festival  |
|         | Hairmania has already been booked for this event and plans are to expand the festival to promote all the businesses in and around the Village. |

**Village Public Notice Hearing set for Sept. 17<sup>th</sup>:** This hearing is in response to a request by Dutch Boy Car Renovation to abate property taxes on their renovations and additions to property. There will be a representative from the Chamber Board to attend this meeting. Discussion will be had at the next Board Meeting to establish an opinion of the Chamber on this issue.

**The Mill:** It was suggested members attend one of the Q & A sessions and, if possible, a tour of the Mill. Mandy and Syd will create a member survey on Survey Monkey to gather opinions from Chamber members in reference to this project. A report will be compiled and submitted to the Village Council.

**Dues:** Dues are due in October for the upcoming year.

Corporations	\$150.00
Small businesses	\$100.00
Non-Profits	\$ 50.00

This information was disbursed to current members via email. Paper invoices will be sent in the next few days.

**Liaisons for Organizations:**

We would like to have a Chamber liaison responsible for attending other organizational meetings, such as the DDA, Village Council, Lyons Club, Rotary Club, VCAC, and the Historical Society. The purpose is to keep connected and support these groups with their activities.

**Chamber meeting days & times:** Suggestion was made to change the regular monthly meetings from Mondays. This question will be added to the survey to ascertain what is best for members.

**DDA Golf Scramble:** The Chamber has decided not to provide sponsorship of this event this year.

**Lyons Golf Outing, Sept. 15:** The Chamber agreed to sponsor a hole for this event for \$75.00

**Harvest Festival, Sept 30:** The Chamber agreed to purchase a placemat ad for \$75.00 in support of this event.

**Village Website:** We are working with the Village to make sure the Chamber has a link on their website. We are asking for a direct link with posting of our logo.

**Other upcoming events:**

**Generous Hands** is having a Fall Extravaganza, Nov 3, which will be a Fundraising dinner & Silent Auction.

**Historical Society** is having a Pie Baking Contest as part of the Harvest Festival.

**VCAC** is hosting Destination Scandinavia Event on Sept. 22 and will be participating at the Harvest Festival.

Their Auction Fundraiser is October 27<sup>th</sup>. They are requesting the Chamber sponsor this event with a \$100.00 donation. This will be addressed at the October Board Meeting.

**Next Meeting:** Elections will be held for Board Officers at the Distant Whistle Mixer, Monday, October 8, 2018, 6 p.m. Dale McCallum (2019/2020), Dane Bosel (as president), and Linda Adams (2018/2019) will not be available for Board positions.