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GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

November 20, 2006

Attendees

Bev Keeley, Nancy P. Smith, Jim Isaacson, Candy Retka, Adam Kienberger, Robert Joswiak, Chris Pommerenke, Jon Koznick, Mike Jetchick, Steve Porter, Tom Barnard, Larry Werner, & Judy Tschumper: **Guests:** Scott Nelson & Jay O'Connell – Lakeville Fire Department.

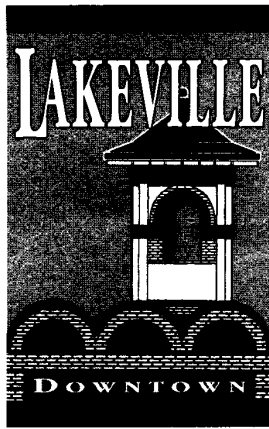
City of Lakeville – Update – Scott Nelson, Jay O'Connell and Adam Kienberger

Fire Chief Scott Nelson and Inspector Jay O'Connell spoke to the group about the Inspection Program that is being implemented by the Fire Department. Letters have been mailed to businesses regarding this program but the department wants you to know that this is a “make the city safe” program and is an educational endeavor not a punitive one. Having these inspections can help lower the city's ISO (Insurance Service Organization) rating. The city is being divided into quadrants with the downtown businesses being the first section to be inspected. Inspector O'Connell and staff will stop by businesses to do a walk-through and if it's not a good time, a business can schedule an appointment to return at a more convenient date. Two key items to be aware of: Make sure your fire extinguisher is in working order and check where you have electrical installations to make sure the area is free of storage items. Sprinkler systems will also be inspected. If business members have any questions they can contact Chief Nelson at 952/985-4701 or Inspector Jay O'Connell at 952/985-4705.

Adam provided an update on the following: Holiday Inn is open; construction on the new ice arena will start in spring of 2007; Dance Works is under construction on the NW corner of Dodd and Cedar Avenue; Rocky's Bar and Grill is open (former Lakeville Family Restaurant) and Lifetime Fitness' tentative opening is June/July of 2007.

City Council Meeting - Nancy P. Smith

Nancy informed the group that the City Council will be holding a public hearing on November 20th for the levy approval for property owners located within the Special Service District. DLBA staff will be presenting the annual report to the Council that evening and on November 30th, Nancy and staff will be making a presentation on the DLBA to the Lakeville Rotary Club.



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Downtown Redevelopment Task Force update – Nancy P. Smith

A draft summary of the Downtown Development Guide is available online on the city's web site. A combined meeting of the Task Force, City Council, Planning Commission and Economic Development Commission is scheduled for Monday, November 27th to review the Plan. On December 5th, at City Hall, an open house is scheduled for the public to review the Guide Plan. The city's consultants and staff will be present. A mailing was sent to all businesses. An Executive Summary of the Plan will also be placed on the city's web site.

A question was asked regarding Valley Natural Foods' second location in the former Enggren's grocery space. The matter is still pending.

Holiday on Main Event Update – Judy Tschumper

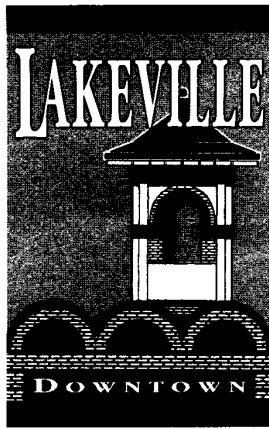
An ad has been placed in the ThisWeek Newspaper which has a circulation of 28,000. All of the participants at Enggren's Mall and the Lakeville Area Arts Center have been confirmed. There will be a Holiday Bazaar at the Senior Center along with the sale of cinnamon rolls/coffee and a lunch at noon. The ECFE Parent Advisory Board will be hosting children activities at the Community Education Building and sponsoring a Book Fair and vendor booths at Enggren's Mall. Flyers were handed out and a volunteer sign-up sheet passed around.

Lakeville Area Chamber of Commerce News – Candy Retka

Candy announced upcoming Chamber events: Ribbon cutting at MW Johnson November 20th; Business After Hours at Pahl's on November 30th and an Open House on Thursday, December 7th at Gregory J. Smith Dental office celebrating the 25th Anniversary of their business in Lakeville.

Lakeville Area Arts Center – Tom Barnard

The Lakeville City Ballet performances for the Thanksgiving weekend have been sold out; Monroe Crossing will be performing the evening of December 2nd; the Dakota Valley Symphony will feature Handel's Messiah on December 8, 9 and 10 with a sing-along on the 8th;



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Lakeville Area Arts Center (cont'd)

December 16th – the Four Shadow Holiday Show; December 19th – Santa and Puppets; January 13th – the Friends of the Arts will celebrate its 5th Anniversary with the performance of Late Night Catechism; January 16th – The George Maurer Group.

ISD 194 Update – Steve Porter

Steve provided information from Community Education stating that they are growing and generating more activity at its facility.

News from Downtown Businesses - Chris Pommerenke, Larry Werner and Nancy P. Smith

Chris reported that there is still a need for Armful of Love sponsors. The location this year for collection is Cedarvale Mall. Larry notified the group that Red Hat Boutique will begin having other crafters in their store on a consignment basis. Nancy invited everyone to join them in celebrating their Silver Anniversary Open House on Thursday, December 7th from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m.

THANK YOU TO TODD BORNHAUSER FOR THE USE OF THE CHAMBER CONFERENCE ROOM AND FOR THE PIZZA AND SOFT DRINKS!

NEXT MEETING – MONDAY, DECEMBER 18TH. The Executive Board will be providing lunch; location pending.