

**Kodiak Chamber of Commerce
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
Monday, September 30th, 2013
Kodiak Chamber of Commerce Conference Room**

Present:

President Deal	Board member Blondin
Secretary/Treasurer Williamson	Board member Bonney
Past President Knight	Board member Brodie
Board member Powers	KICVB Rep. Starrett
Board member Randolph	
Board member R. Kniazowski	

Excused

Vice President Vahl	USCG Base Rep. Capt. Woloszynski
City Rep. A. Kniazowski	KEA Rep Scott
Borough Rep. Cassidy	USCG Air Station Rep. Capt. Rivera

Staff:

Trevor Brown, Executive Director	Rebecca Skinner, Econ. Development Specialist
Summer Wood, Comm. Rel. Director	Laura Arboleda, Administrative Assistant

CALL TO ORDER

- President Deal chaired the meeting at the Kodiak Chamber of Commerce Conference Room. The meeting was called to order at 12:00 p.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA - Corrections/Additions

Secretary/Treasurer Williamson moved to approve agenda. Past President Knight seconded. Motion Passed.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. July 29, 2013 Board minutes
2. Executive Director's Report
3. Community Relations Report
4. Membership Report
5. Economic Development Report

Executive Director Brown introduced the new Economic Development Specialist, Rebecca Skinner. Past President Knight moved to approve the consent agenda. Secretary/Treasurer Williamson seconded. Motion Passed.

ACTION ITEMS

1. July and August Financial Statements

Secretary/Treasurer Williamson gave an update on the July and August Financial Statements. Past President Knight moved to approve the July and August Financial Statements. Secretary/Treasurer Williamson seconded. Motion Passed.

2. Tustumena Letter to Governor Parnell

Executive Brown presented the Tustumena Letter to the board. Board discussion followed.

Board member Brodie moved to approve the Tustumena Letter to Governor Parnell. Board member R. Kniazowski seconded. Motion Passed.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Comfish 2014 Update

Executive Director Brown gave the board an update on the Comfish 2014 dates.

Board discussion followed.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Strategic Planning Nov 14th

Executive Director Brown informed the board about the Strategic Planning date, which will be held on Thursday, November 14th.

2. Coast Guard Appreciation Update

Community Relations Director Wood notified the board about the latest happenings with the Coast Guard Appreciation Dinner.

Board comments and suggestions on advertising followed.

3. Open

Board member Powers suggested the board discuss the Solid Waste issue.

Board discussion about the issue followed.

Board Comments

- Board member Powers mentioned that Parks and Rec is currently figuring out an activities schedule for the high school gym. He mentioned that City League Basketball as well as volleyball games will begin soon. He stated that they will be setting up the ice rink at the beginning of November, and that the Baranof Park outfield is now finished. Board member Powers informed the board that Parks and Rec has come up with the idea to install security cameras around the park and to set summer and winter hours for safety reasons.
- Board member Bonney stated that the fishing industry has been busy due to the amount of meetings that have occurred and will be occurring. She expressed that the government shut down will affect current fisheries due to cuts to enforcement.
- Board member R. Kniazowski mentioned that a Horizon ship may have to bypass Kodiak due to the rough seas and high winds. He stated that work on Pier 3 continues.
- Board member Randolph stated that they are staying busy due to selling insurance to new families that are transferring in.
- Secretary/Treasurer Williamson reported that the Housing Task Force meeting was well attended. She briefly updated the board on a couple topics that they had discussed. She stated that the Housing Task Force group is doing what they can to accommodate people.
- Past President Knight mentioned that he had attended the candidate forum and urged everyone to vote. He also stated that he attended Kodiak Island Providence Medical Center's Annual meeting.
- Board member Blondin announced that the month of October will be a busy month for them due to PFD and their Avis car sale on October 12th.
- KICVB Rep. Starrett stated that they have been focusing on international tourism and doing many outreach programs. She also mentioned that the KICVB will be attending the Alaska Tourism Industry Convention.

- Board member Brodie informed the board that it was stated at the Housing Task Force meeting that the Coast Guard has enough funds to be able to build more housing on the Coast Guard Base. He also mentioned that there are 34 houses on the market in the Kodiak area with some price reductions happening, and that the interest rates have dropped a little.
- President Deal announced that they have seen many deposits coming in from the fishing industry, and have seen many loans going out, as well. He also stated that the delinquencies have gone down.
- **ADJOURNMENT**
- Meeting adjourned at 12:47 p.m.