

**Kodiak Chamber of Commerce  
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes  
Monday, March 19, 2012  
Kodiak Chamber of Commerce Conference Room**

**Present:**

President Knight  
Vice President Deal  
Past President Whiddon  
Secretary/Treasurer Williamson  
Board member Brodie

Board member Johnson  
Board member Powers  
USCG ISC Rep. Capt. Moore  
KIB Rep. Gifford  
KEA Rep Scott

**Excused**

Board member Sockwell  
Board member Friend  
Board member Durham

Board member A. Kniaziowski  
USCG Air Station Commander Deal  
Board member R. Kniaziowski

**Staff:**

Trevor Brown, Executive Director  
Lindsey Howell, Comm. Rel. Director

Lale Gurer, Economic Development Specialist  
Laura Arboleda, Administrative Assistant

**CALL TO ORDER**

- President Knight chaired the meeting at the Kodiak Chamber of Commerce Conference Room. The meeting was called to order at 12:15 p.m.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA - Corrections/Additions**

Vice President Deal moved to approve agenda. Board member Brodie seconded. Motion Passed.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

1. February 2012 Board minutes
  2. Executive Director's Report
  3. Community Relations Report
  4. Membership Report
  5. Economic Development Report
- Vice President Deal moved to approve consent agenda. Secretary/Treasurer Williamson seconded. Motion passed.

**ACTION ITEMS**

1. **New Board Member– Oath of Office**
  - President Knight swore in the newly appointed board member, Jack Johnson.
2. **January 2012 Financial Statements**

Executive Director Brown gave an update of the January 2012 Financial Statements.
3. **February 2012 Financial Statements**

Executive Director Brown gave an update of the February 2012 Financial Statements.

  - Board Member Powers moved to approve the January 2012 and February 2012 Financial statements. Secretary/Treasurer Williamson seconded the motion. Motion passed.

#### 4. **Resolution 2012.3-19 Oil Tax Reform**

- Executive Director Brown and Board member Powers gave a brief description about the Resolution 2012.3-19 Oil Tax Reform.
- Board discussion followed with an agreement to take action.

Vice President Deal moved to approve consent agenda. Past President Whiddon seconded. Motion passed.

#### 5. **Board Attendance Policy**

- President Knight and Executive Director Brown gave a brief description about the Board Attendance Policy.
- Board discussion followed with a suggestion to do teleconferencing with those who cannot make it to the board meetings.

Board member Brodie moved to approve the Board Attendance Policy. Secretary/ Treasurer Williamson seconded. Motion passed.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### 1. **Book Project Update**

Executive Director Brown mentioned that the exact number of books will be known by April. Community Relations Director Howell gave a brief update on the Book Project. Everything has been sent to the publisher and the earliest release for these books is still set for summer.

#### 2. **Comfish Update**

Executive Director Brown provided the board with a brief update about Comfish. He stated that Crab Festival merchandise will be sold at the Comfish. He also mentioned that Sea Grant will not be sponsoring the Comfish forums this year.

#### 3. **Economic Development Form**

Past President Whiddon gave a brief description and announced suggestions regarding the Economic Development Form.

Board discussion followed and later showed interest in Past President Whiddon's suggestions.

### **BOARD COMMENTS**

- USCG ISC Rep. Capt. Moore mentioned that Deputy Commandant will be out here and that he wants to check out Kodiak. April 1<sup>st</sup> the Russians will be here, he also mentioned that the last week of April base Kodiak will officially be Base Kodiak. Housing orders have been issued for this summer. In December they had their National Housing Survey, which they are still waiting for the results, which is supposed to show whether or not they need more housing in Kodiak.
- KIB Rep. Gifford stated that he will be heading down to Juneau for the Legislative Seafood Reception. He mentioned that they are getting into the budget process and some of the big projects that will be going on. He also announced that he will be resigning at the Kodiak Island Borough and will be working for the Aleutians East Borough, in Anchorage, as Borough Administrator.
- Board member Powers mentioned that the poster child for Renewable Energy, nationwide, is KEA.

- Board member Brodie stated that the board of realtors discussed the issue of the availability of land here on Kodiak Island. He also stated that he will be leaving for the redistricting conference.
- Vice President Deal mentioned that the mortgage rates spiked up in the last week, he also stated that counterfeit money is still going around.
- Past President Whiddon mentioned they have had a robust Pollock season which caused the shippers to run out of shipment vans. He also stated that Halibut kicked off last Saturday and the prices are about the same as last year. There is a lot of frozen inventory left for Halibut. Lastly he mentioned that Kodiak's 3A quarter is down 17%, 3B down 22%, which means less fish will be landing in Kodiak this year.
- KEA Rep Scott mentioned that they hit a high record peak in February. They are still on track with wind project. Wind turbines are arriving at the dock in Seattle this week. Because of weather, kick off for the wind turbines will be a little later than May 7<sup>th</sup>, but they are still shooting for construction this summer.
- President Knight mentioned that Linda Kozak is organizing a "choose respect rally" again this year. He also mentioned that he will compete in the Mr. Alaska contest, and will be shooting for his 7<sup>th</sup> win this year.

- **ADJOURNMENT**

- Meeting adjourned at 1:05 p.m.