

**RIVERSIDE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
MINUTES OF MEETING OF
TUESDAY, November 17, 2009
Called for 6:00 p.m.
At the Riverside Public Library**

<i>Chamber Board</i>	David Moravecek	President
	Rick Rovella	Vice President, Events Coordinator
	Keith Wright	Vice President, Membership
	Dave Vesecky	Vice President, Publicity & Public Relations - Absent
	Dorothy Sikora	Secretary
	Eric Sundstrom	Treasurer
	Holiday Stroll Chair	Brian Brennan
	Car Show Chair	Rick Rovella
	Steak Fry Chair	Eric Sundstrom

Called to order by President Dave Moravecek at 6:00 p.m. The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Attendance

28 members and were present, including Village President, Mike Gorman; Police Chief, Tom Weitzel; and representatives from The Landmark and Suburban Life newspapers.

Secretary's Report

The Minutes of the Meeting of October 20, 2009, were, reviewed, and with a motion from Carol Franzo seconded by Joe Dvorak, unanimously approved, will stand as recorded, and will be posted on the Chamber's website.

Treasurer's Report

Eric Sundstrom presented the Treasurer's Report. Current balance is \$11,334.43. Joe Dvorak moved, and Carol Franzo seconded, unanimously approved, to accept the report as presented, and will be posted on the Chamber's website.

Village Update Report

Chief Weitzel advised that an increase of 32 traffic/parking citations were issued in the downtown area. The Speed Sign software is coming soon. A Community Service Officer is assigned to the downtown area Monday thru Thursday to watch for violations. Dave Moravecek asks what the response has been for parking permit applications by businesses on Burlington – they are due on Friday. It is expected to be well received.

Village President Gorman advised that the murals for the Arcade Building were on schedule and would be installed November 27 and 28. The unveiling will take place on Friday, December 4 at 5:15 p.m. just before Santa arrives and kicks-off the Annual Holiday Stroll while the street is closed off. He announced that Jerry Cervak of Metal Mites will finish-coat spray the panels and that the Riverside Arts Center has been extremely helpful with the murals. Aaron Murr of A&M Design is donating the lights to illuminate the building.

He also advised that the lots on Burlington have been seeded. The new parking along the tracks for business employees begins November 28th.

Chamber Old, New and For Good of Discussion

Trim-A-Tree. Sheila Gentile reminded this was the last opportunity for tree sponsorship. A total of 30 trees has been ordered. Set-up is set of November 21st. Volunteers are being sought.

The October 30th downtown business district Trick-or-Treating was very successful.

Next month's meeting will begin at Pagani (formerly known as Basili's) and then move on to Soul Amici for a brief meeting, nominations and election of officers for 2010, and reception. It was set for Wednesday, December 9, 2009.

NOTE: NEW CORRECT DATE IS FRIDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2009

35th Annual Holiday Stroll:

The Landmark and *Suburban Life* representatives presented their pitches for ads in their respective newspapers.

Brian Brennan advised the Holiday Stroll is set for Friday, December 4th from 5:30-9 pm. Doug Bufone, a former Chicago Bear player and local radio announcer, will be signing autographs in the Village Center space. It was decided that the Visit with Santa weekend event would not be held this year.

Soul Amici asked about the Visit with Santa event and suggested they may be able to sponsor it at the Train Station on a Saturday.

Announcements

Olga Sylvester announced the Infant Welfare event on December 1, 2009.

Carol Franzo moved and Margot Rodriguez seconded the motion to adjourn at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dorothy Sikora, Recording Secretary