

CommUnity Team

Jan. 7, 2017

Time: 8:00 a.m.

City Hall Conference Room

Members Present: Mayor Richard Schramer, Krista Sobieski, Berlin Journal; Bobbie Erdmann, Berlin Area Historical Society; Ken Schmidt, HomeTown Broadcasting; Ron Harke, Berlin Boat Club; program; Lindsey Kemnitz, Berlin Community Development director; Tammy Bending, ThedaCare; Tim Mentuis, Berlin Chamber; Sue Trampf, ABC Group and Lions Club.

Lindsey Kemnitz called the meeting to order at 8:05 a.m. On motion by Erdmann and seconded by Eidahl the agenda was approved. On motion by Mentuis and seconded by Eidahl the minutes from January 7th meeting were approved.

Erdmann gave a little back ground about new north. New North consists of 1.2 million people and 31,000 employers within 18 counties of Northeast Wisconsin. New North is a regional marketing and economic development organization fostering collaboration among private and public sectors. New North created this video for advertising for anyone within the New North area. Kemnitz stated that the video can be found on youtube by searching "North of What you Expect" and she will put it on the City website under economic development.

EVENTS:

Erdmann stated the Friends of the Library is having a sale this Friday 9am to 5:30pm and Saturday 9am to noon. Thursday is the early bird sale from 5pm to 7pm.

Kemnitz stated that Wearin' & Sharin the Green event is on March 18th at Heidel House. There was about 6 tables let so if anyone is interested contact Hannah.

Senior Center has the February Insight to hand out and events are inside.

Kemnitz mentioned she is having a meet & greet on February 9th from 6-7 at the Senior Center and that anyone is welcomed.

REPORTS:

Tim Mentuis reported that the chamber is looking for executive director and to identify benefits for the members.

Mayor Schramer reported that the investor packets were distributed for the hotel. If the hotel is built and the occupancy is 60% as predicted it would increase room tax greatly.

Tammy Bending announced she was offered the position for Vice President of the ThedaCare at the Berlin Hospital. ThedaCare has decided to tear down the terrace apartments by the Juliette Manor Site. Starting February 10th a pulmonology clinic will be opening and will be open every Friday from 8am to 3pm.

Bob Eidahl reported that some school districts have had a lawsuit filed against them as the school district as their website was not updated to ADA complaint.

Ken Schmidt stated that GLCVB was approved for \$10,000 for advertisement through the Green Lake County Economic Development Corporation.

Bobbie Erdmann reported that nominations for 2017 will be open after the first of the year. She also reported that the 'Look Up Berlin' contest did not get the responses that were expected.

Krista Sobieski introduced herself as she is the new reporter for the City of Berlin. She was the executive of Little Sprouts. Contact info is 920-229-5285.

Ron Harke stated the Berlin Boat Club is having their annual Corn Roast on August 11th and 12th at Riverside Park. This year they are adding Polka Music to the lineup with many others from cooking too many other bands.

Sue Trampf announced the Fourth of July event by the ABC Group will be on July 1st at the Riverside Park. The theme is to celebrate Berlin becoming a corporation for 160 years. The event will have two live bands, food, crafts, and vintage items. Sue also mentioned she has three Lions Club books available for \$15. Rose sale is for Mother's Day and will have more info next meeting.

Attached is a memo from Laura Fultz about the Library.

No reports were available at this time for Fox WI Heritage Parkway, Real Estate, Banking, UWEX, Downtown, and TREDC.

There were no Old or New Business discussed.

Next meeting date is Wednesday, March 1st.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:43 a.m. on motion made by Schramer and seconded by Eidahl carried unanimously.

Lindsey Kemnitz, City of Berlin