

TUXEDO CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES

July 2nd, 2008

Members Present: Noel Jablonski, Angelheart Antiques
Dale Mottola, Applied Systems Group
Gary Phelps, Gary Phelps Carpentry
Kirre Caiazza, HSBC
Kristen Huss, Hudson Valley Renegades
Jerry Mottola, Jerico/ U.S.P.S
Natalie Pearson, Keeper Stores
Paul Mahoney, Outback Choppers
Don Blum, Shopper's Plus Printing Service
Dick Spiegel, SOS Fuels
Rev. Betty McWhorter, St. Mary's Episcopal Church
Betty Ann Eberling, Take a Break
Tom & Terry Salierno, TJS Construction
Nanette Bieber, Tuxedo Park Business Portfolio
Bob Thompson & Jeanmarie, Tuxedo Park Preferred Properties
Jim Burger, Tuxedo Park Schools
Sgt. John Norton, Tuxedo Police Department
Jim Mezzetti, Tuxedo Ridge

Guest: Jim Nelson, Orange County Historical Society

Call to Order: Dale Mottola, President, called the regular monthly meeting of the Tuxedo Chamber of Commerce to order at 6:04PM on Wednesday, July 2nd, 2008 at Outback Choppers.

Approval of Minutes: Minutes from the June meeting were reviewed and approved by a unanimous vote.

Discussion on Chamber Paintball Challenge: Dale passed out a flyer for the Chamber and asked the members when would it be a good time to participate at Tuxedo Ridge for a Paintball Challenge. It was suggested for September 10th.

Update on 3rd Annual Golf Outing: Jerry updated the chamber that there were already 24 golfers signed up. He also reported that one of the foursomes has donated a day of golf for four at Otterkill Country Club, to be used for the raffle at the event. The giveaway umbrellas will be in tomorrow from the printers. Tuxedo Reserve is interested in becoming the platinum sponsor. It would be their third year in a row as the platinum sponsor, Dale noted.

Spotlight on Business: Outback Choppers

Paul Mahoney of Outback Choppers explained that the business got its start in 2003 in the condos behind the shop. At Outback Choppers they custom build choppers, service and sell all brands of motorcycles, and are a NYS certified bike inspector. Paul also explained they host many fundraising events throughout the year such as: Toys for Tots, Spectrum for Living (mentally challenged people) and their most recent event will take place on July 20th called Biker's Against Cruelty to Animals. There will be a live band, bikini bike wash and the folks from Animal Precinct will be there to meet folks. You can visit their website at www.outbackchoppers.com for all upcoming events. They are open every day except Mondays.

Discussion on Family Fun Day: Dale stated that for the past three years, the Chamber has provided a caricature artist; prior to that the Chamber sponsored clowns/face painters. This year the event will take place on October 4th. A joint letter from the Tuxedo Recreation Department and Tuxedo Chamber of Commerce will be going out to businesses the 2nd week of July listing opportunities for sponsorship of event activities. Gary made the motion with a second by Jerry to again sponsor the caricature artist.

Discussion on Electronics Recycling Event: Dale reported that she had researched the possibility of utilizing the County Recycling Center in North Hampton for disposing of collected equipment at the event. Although residents are able to dispose of one piece of electronic equipment at the Recycling Center with no charge, the Chamber would be considered a small quantity generator if it collected electronic equipment, and would be subject to permits and fees. Dale had received a proposal from one recycling company, but the anticipated price per piece of disposed equipment was too expensive. Jim Burger said he would ask a member of his staff for any other suggestions.

Next meeting will be held at Taverna Tuxedo on August 6th at 5:30PM. It is \$15 per person which includes iced tea or soda. A cash bar will be available.

Adjourn Meeting: 6:41PM

A Chamber Summer Barbeque/Mixer, hosted by Outback Choppers, followed the meeting.