

**Carthage Area Chamber of Commerce
Minutes of January 12th, 2022, meeting**

Present: Rebecca Wallen, Kristy O'Shaughnessy, Nancy Rome, Amy McEathron, Jenn Premo, Taylour Scanlin, Kelly Shanahan, Lydia Young

Excused: Tina Lanier, Robert Sligar, Robert Kuklinca, Derek Davis

Unexcused:

The meeting was called to order by K. O'Shaughnessy at 12:04 pm

Pledge of Allegiance was led by T. Scanlin

Minutes from the last meeting: A. McEathron motioned to accept last month's minutes, seconded by T. Scanlin, all approved, motion passed.

President's Report: No Report

Treasurer's Report: No Report

Executive Director's Report: Attached.

Open Forum: None

Old Business:

- a.) **Holiday Parade & Events Overview-**Final financial report is in. With the help of sponsorships and annual support, the events were a success and the Chamber was over budget by under \$200 for all of the weekend events.
- b.) **New Year Baby-** The New Year's baby arrived (a little girl) at the Carthage Area Hospital and the family received our donations.

New Business:

- a) **Village Banners-** The village of West Carthage has reached out with an idea to display street banners that support the school, they are looking for the Chambers assistance/support. It was decided that more details are needed before we can proceed.
- b) **Winterfest 2022:** All event planning will continue to move forward for this event.

Committee Reports:

- a. **Farmer's Market Report:** The committee will meet to discuss any changes for the 2022 market. More committee members are welcome.
- b. **Business After hours-** VFW will host their event on Thursday, February 17th at the VFW.
- c. **Fort Drum Report:** No report

- d. **Carthage Area Hospital Report:** The hospital is seeing a record number of ER visits, which is expected with the increase in COVID numbers at this time. The hospital has received a grant that will allow them to purchase a mobile clinic that will help spread awareness about vaccines and other health-related information.
- e. **Carthage Central School:** There has been an increase in cases, but this comes from the access to at-home test kits that were distributed to families. At this time the school is still able to support in-person learning and they are planning to return to in-person events, such as concerts as early as February.
- g. **Carthage Free Library:** No report

The next meeting is scheduled for February 9th | NOON | Zoom

There being no other business to come before the board A. McEathron made a motion to adjourn seconded by N. Rome, all approved. The meeting was adjourned at 12:21 pm.