GOWANDA AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Minutes – regular meeting – Board of Directors October 11, 2017 – 6:00 P.M. – 15 South Water Street Call to Order: President Nick Crassi called the meeting to order at 6:02 P.M. Directors Present: Nick Crassi, Mary Stelley, Becky Grudzien-excused, Robert Dingman, Carol Sheibley, Gary Patterson, Ned Devine-excused, Irene Jimerson Members: Lori Crassi, Beckie Lombardi Guests: Bill Peglowski Approval of Minutes: 9/13/2017- Mary Stelley Secretary: Correspondence-nothing to report Treasurer's Report: Assets \$16968.35. Bob Dingman motioned, Gary Patterson 2nd. Check were written: Wild Card Band. \$350.00 –Fall Fest

Fall fest Review- People had a good time. Low turnout of attendance, Band received thumbs up. Scarecrow Contest-344 likes and 45 votes. Valley Pharmacy #1, Auto Wrench 2^{nd} place winner. Made mention for next year to have volunteers and people to chairman the crafters.

Gowanda Ambulance: 12 Cookbooks were dropped off to Auto Wrench to sell-\$15.00 ea.

Christmas in Gowanda: Signs were ordered. Nick Crassi, motioned to purchase materials for sign in front of Persia Town Hall. Fireworks submitted to village to be on the schedule, costumes paid by Mel Shaw. Gowanda Ford paid \$400 for Photo booth. Mark Schindler gave \$100 towards Xmas in Gowanda, Dixieland Tree will donate tree again. (9:30am) Gary Patterson doing lights –Saturday before Thanksgiving, weather permitting otherwise, the following Saturday after Thanksgiving. Save the date was passed out at the Spirit Parade. Beckie Lombardi will have pricing for an insert at next meeting. Next meeting scheduled: October 25, 2017.

Officer report:

President: Nominating Committee for Ballots in November: Robert Dingman, Ned Devine, Mary Stelley-seats are up.

New business: *Bill Peglowski, mentioned 2018 Rediscover Gowanda Weekend/Block party & Alumni Weekend. "Come Home Gowanda, Rediscover"*.

Beckie at Gowanda Press- Gowanda press is expanding. Company bought Gowanda Silver Creek Pennysaver and Dunkirk-Fredonia Pennysaver. Will roll Gowanda Press & Silver Creek Pennysaver information into one paper.

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 7:05pm. Next meeting: Regular scheduled meeting November 8, 2017 6:00 @ 15 South Water Street, Gowanda,.

Becky Grudzien Secretary