

# GOWANDA AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Minutes – regular meeting – Board of Directors  
July 11,2018 – 6:00 P.M. – 15 South Water Street

**Call to Order:** President Nick Crassi called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

**Directors Present:** Nick Crassi, Mary Stelley, Becky Grudzien, Robert Dingman-excused, Carol Sheibley, Gary Patterson, Ned Divine-excused, Irene Jimerson, Melinda Spires, Shannon Smuda-excused  
**Members:**

**Guests:** Bill Peglowski

**Approval of Minutes:** 6/20/2018 Melinda Spire, Carol Sheibley 2<sup>nd</sup> - approved

**Secretary:** Received a request for \$100.00 donation for the Gowanda Fire Dept. Bob Dingman, Becky Grudzien 2<sup>nd</sup> approved.

Received request for letter of support from Town of Persia for the NYS CFA Grant – letter sent.

Received information on Congressman Tom Reed’s 2018 Manufacturing Summit on 7/20/18

**Treasurer’s Report:** Assets \$19,279.33 Carol Sheibley, Bob Dingman, 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**Officer report:**

**President:** Discussed the use of the school and how people can use it, nonprofit organizations, need to submit in writing to request to use it. Can be used on an emergency basis, ex, Red Cross

**Recap:**

**Fall Fest:**

Melinda Spires & Shannon - working on flyers, advertising for craft show

Nick Crassi- working on car show details

Offer non-profit organizations free of charge for space at craft show.

Wine tasting on the train-Becky Grudzien and Bob Dingman coordinating

Gary Patterson-received offer for the Band of Brothers for Fall Fest

Music at the Legion - need volunteers to sell 50/50-Melinda Spires and Shannon Smuda volunteered.

**Xmas in Gowanda- Meeting scheduled for August 1, 2018 rescheduled from 7/29/2018**

**Gary Patterson- reviewing tree lighting. Held open discussion on lighting.**

**Unfinished business:** Nick Crassi needs to contact school about how the Chamber is supposed to proceed on local business packets.

**New business:**

Seeking banner designs for Chamber events-Gary will review options

Motioned to have Chamber T-shirts- inquiring about prices- Melinda Spires, Bob Dingman 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**Adjournment:** Meeting adjourned at 7:08pm.

**Next meeting:** Regular scheduled meeting August 8, 2018 @ 15 South Water Street, Gowanda

**Becky Grudzien** Secretary