

Lyme-Old Lyme Chamber of Commerce
Minutes of January 15, 2009
Presented for February 20, 2009

The fifth meeting of the Lyme-Old Lyme Chamber of Commerce Year 2008-2009 was held at Cherrystones restaurant on Thursday, January 15, 2009.

1. Call to Order, Welcome: The meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm by President Delinks.
2. Pledge of Allegiance (Tim Griswold)
3. LOLCC members attending for the first time:
 - a. None
4. Recognition:
 - a. Heather Giffen, Meghan Whitehead (CCECT), Allison (OL Inn) for logistics, reservation tracking, etc.
 - b. Introduce Candy Green (Chef Chris Michaels – later)
 - c. President of CCECT Tony Sheridan
5. Secretary's Report (Russ Gomes):
 - a. Motion to accept by Gary Reynolds, seconded by Pam Stevens; minutes accepted
6. Treasurer's Report (Steve Ross):
 - a. Accepted as submitted; will be submitted for audit
7. BOD report: Pam Stevens not present.
 - a. The Board of Directors met on January 14th, 2009 at the Parthenon Diner. Eggs over easy, juice, omelets, coffee with refills.
 - b. Heather Giffen, Sheri Cote attended from CCECT
 - c. Approved donations: (vote early to save time)
 - i. Literacy Volunteers - \$100.00
(1) No vote required
 - ii. Food Pantry - \$300.00
(1) Vote: motion by Ruth Roach; seconded by Pam Uthoff; motion passed unanimously
 - iii. Bookworm Ball sponsorship - \$200.00
(1) Vote: motion by Peter Mountzoures; seconded by Tim Griswold; motion passed unanimously
8. Correspondence:
 - a. None received
9. Committee Reports:
 - a. CCECT Representative (Tony Sheridan):
 - i. Upcoming events – Tony informed all present of the CCECT website and briefly stated some of the upcoming events and that information could be obtained from the website.
 - b. Fund-raising – Pat McCarthy / Pam Stevens / Heather Giffen
 - i. Taste of Lymes – May 3rd, 3-6 pm, Lymes Art Association
 - ii. This fund-raising committee was unable to meet as scheduled.
 - c. Membership – no report
 - i. Committee Report
(1) CCECT membership drive will start in January 2009 as noted by President Charlie Delinks
 - ii. New applications:
(1) None received
 - iii. Applicants have been approved by Membership Committee.
(1) No action taken
 - iv. Total members now = 197
 - d. Programs (upcoming speakers, etc.) – Cyndi Taylor:
 - i. February 2009 – Lee Olivier, Northeast Utilities
 - ii. “State of the Towns” being considered
 - e. Publicity - Cathy Frank:

- i. No action taken
 - f. Web site – George Young:
 - i. No action taken
 - g. Adopt-a-Highway – Tim Griswold: N/A
10. Old Business:
 - a. None due to time constraints
11. New Business:
 - a. Funds voted on early to save time.
12. Other topics:
 - a. Bookworm Ball Basket for silent auction (Katie Balocca?) – see Cathy Frank
 - b. Feb 6th, Friends of PGN Library 212th Birthday, 4-6 pm
 - i. Newcomers Welcome Gift Bags – drop off cards, coupons, etc at PGN Library for Judy Winer
13. Break for Dinner
14. Speaker - Dominick Dunne
 - a. Local celebrity from Hadlyme
 - b. “Vanity Fair”, Court TV, OJ Simpson “Trial of the Century”, Michael Skakel trial, Philip Spector trial. Currently completely his new novel, “A Solo Act”.
 - c. Bio is on www.lolcc.com and www.chamberect.com.
15. Remarks for the good of the Chamber.
 - a. Sheila Wertheimer has lost the most name tags.
16. Adjourn: meeting was adjourned at 9:17 pm. Motion by Pat McCarthy; seconded by Jane Cable.

Respectfully Submitted

Russ Gomes, Secretary