

North Newton Chamber of Commerce Meeting 4-11-2017

Present: Libby Albright, Bonnie Funk, Sharyn Harvey, Grace Hanley, Debbie Rossiter, Sharon St. Meyers, Rose Morgan, Josh Holloway, Paul Tetzlaff, Larry Dowty, David Atkinson, Andrew Martin, Rob Richards

Meeting was called to order by president Larry Dowty

Introduction of guest: Rob Richards, general manager Urban Forest Products. They are a manufacturing plant that make egg filler flats for large poultry farms. They produce 16 to 20 million flats per year and have 68 employees.

Guest Speaker: Andrew Martin from Purdue Extension. Andrew explained that they have a community leadership program that addresses leadership, avoiding conflict, generational differences, new technology and social media, county government and volunteerism.

Motion to approve minutes from March meeting made by Sharyn, 2nd by Bonnie.

Treasurer's report: General Fund \$6751.58. Scholarship Fund \$12876.17. Motion to approve made by Rose, 2nd by Sharyn

Old business: Sharyn wants to give away popcorn at the American Legion Community Festival July 29th she needs volunteers. Rose will take care of the chamber's website. motion made by Rose 2nd by Sharyn. Bonnie brought in 2 insurance bills, 1 will be paid the other will be looked into.

New business: Dave Atkinson informed us the dairy farm will break ground for the hotel this fall. Organic dairy will proceed in Lake Village.

Membership Report: 27 paid members for 2017.

Announcements:

Adjourn: Motion made by Sharyn, 2nd by Rose