



Minutes for April 27, 2022 Monthly In-Person Chamber Meeting at Maud's Tavern

5:44 PM Call to order by Michelle Adams, President

Speakers

- 5:44PM County update from Shari Ascher
 - Covid numbers rising, no increases in hospitalization or fatalities
 - Monday morning, 8.30, state budget meeting regarding small businesses
 - May 4, 6-8PM Cinco de Mayo, office of economic development meeting highlighting Hispanic businesses
 - July 14 meeting focusing on professional services, personal services, and goods
 - Transportation job fair
- 5:50PM Hastings Mayor Armacost
 - May 15- Spring thing, eco-vendor fair component with music (can be found on Destination Hastings website)
 - May 21- South by Southside
 - Parklets will continue for businesses
 - Climate action plan
 - Comprehensive plan and waterfront revitalization plan
 - Empty spaces- still have a few available
 - Using betterment fund money for benches, tree pits, etc
 - Take it or leave it shed- drop off stuff you don't want, take what you do want
 - June is national pollinators month- encouraging businesses to plant pollinators
 - Sidewalk work will span from July through September
 - June 3- Friday night Pride

Old Business

1. 6:11PM 2022 Committee Chairs needed- Tourism and Commerce, Minority Owned Businesses, Fundraising
2. 6:12PM Flags for Ukraine
 - Link on Chamber website to purchase made-in-America flags

New Business

1. 6:12PM Virtual NYS budget update from the Governor's office, May 2nd 8:30-9:30 a.m.; all Chamber members invited to attend
 - Will be on website
2. 6:13PM New York State Restaurant Association, Westchester Chapter Albany Day, May 17th 11:00 a.m.
3. 6:14PM Westchester Hispanic Chamber of Commerce resources event, May 4th 6:00-8:00 p.m.
 - Need a chamber rep at the event, please reach out if interested
4. 6:15PM Reports

- a. Treasurer
- b. Committees
 - i. Membership
 - Instagram takeover
 - Community calendar
 - Potential orientation event for chamber members
 - ii. 6:16PM Women in Business
 - May 4 at HudCo, Women's social, in-person, 6:30PM
- c. Village Reports
 - i. 6:17PM Ardsley
 - May 1, first 5k, 11AM, Ashford Ave will be closed
 - Village requested proposals for branding campaign
 - Requested services for master plan for downtown
 - 2nd Tuesday of every month for next 3 months to have Ardsley village chat, 10am, via Zoom
 - June 19- Ardsley Pride
 - ii. 6:19PM Dobbs Ferry
 - Sidewalk work on Main St over the summer
 - 38k fee for parking meters that don't work, discussion of getting rid of meters and using an app to pay for parking
 - Communication lines will be buried during sidewalk project
 - Considering bringing in Downtown Advocate

Member Announcements

- 1. 6:27 PM New Members
 - a. Melita Love, CPA / Melita Love - Dobbs Ferry *
 - b. The Skain Group LLC / Vance Long - Dobbs Ferry *
 - c. Cabrini of Westchester / Susan Herceg - Dobbs Ferry
 - d. Honest Art- Ardsley

Community Announcements

- New regulations for restaurants. Board of health will require ServeSafe allergy licenses. 2 folks on the floor will need to be trained
- Pam Battle may be looking for new practice space for her acupuncture business

Next Chamber Meeting – May 25, 2022, Location TBD (Ardsley) 5:00 p.m. networking, 5:30 p.m. meeting

Meeting adjourned at 6:36PM