



# Rivertowns Chamber of Commerce

**Minutes for September 14, 2022 In-Person Chamber Meeting at LOOK Dine-In Cinema  
Call to order 5:49PM by Michelle Adams, President**

**Special welcome from Craig of LOOK Dine-In, thank you to our sponsor Lift Off Special Programming**

## **Speakers**

- 5:53 PM County update from Shari Ascher
  - Hosting first ever Westchester disabilities job fair
  - New grant program for minority and women-owned businesses  
<http://www.westchestercatalyst.com>
  - Job fair for people who were formerly incarcerated
  - [sascher@westchestergov.com](mailto:sascher@westchestergov.com)
- 5:59 PM Mayor Vincent Rossillo
  - Trying to make businesses more business friendly
  - Ferry Festa October 1
  - Sidewalk reconstruction project
    - Trees will be planted

## **Old Business**

1. 6:04 PM New cadence for General Chamber Meetings, Village Chats
  - a. Ardsley VC (2nd Tues/mo)
  - b. Dobbs Ferry VC (3rd Tues/mo)
  - c. Irvington VC (3rd Thu/mo)
  - d. Hastings VC (TBD)

## **New Business**

1. 6:05 PM Requesting 2023 Board Nominations for following open seats (due 9/19)
  - Nomination form on the website: <https://rivertownschamber.com/about/>
  - a. Treasurer
  - b. Secretary
  - c. Hastings Rep (1)
  - d. Irvington Rep (1)
  - e. Tourism Co-Chair (1)
  - f. Women in Business Co-Chair (1)
  - g. Fundraising Co-Chairs (2)
  - h. Minority-Owned Business Co-Chairs (2)
2. 6:07 PM Membership Recruitment Drive
  - Launching this week and will be live on the website

- We need members to participate in recruiting
- 3. 6:09 PM Rivertown Public Market: Taste Local 11/5 12-3pm
- 4. 6:11PM Board of Directors Meeting 9/21
  - Membership goals, budget
- 5. Reports
  - a. 6:12 PM Treasurer
    - Membership drive is important to bring in more money
  - b. Committees
    - i. 6:13 PM Membership
      - Dennis Goodhart helping to develop benefits
      - Interested in merchant feedback- how can the Chamber make the organization successful for the businesses
    - ii. Women in Business
    - iii. 6:16 PM Tourism
      - Lucas Cioffi- how to aggregate social media feeds to the Chamber can be better found

### **Member Announcements**

- 1. 6:17 PM New Members
  - Village Kids Pediatric Dentistry- Michael Lieberman
  - PFK O'Connor Davies LLP- Darren Bushey accountants and advisors
  - GNCAS Logistics, LLC- Gerard Casimir transportation logistics

### **Community Announcements**

- 6:20 PM Ferry Festa- community event, you do not have to be a Dobbs resident to participate
  - There are incentives to participate as a Chamber member or to join the Chamber
  - The Chamber is a sponsor

**Next Chamber Meeting** – November 2, 2022 , 5:00pm-6:30pm , Location TBD

**Meeting adjourned at 6:25 PM**