



Rivertowns Chamber of Commerce

January 31, 2024 General Chamber Meeting Notes

Meeting called to order by Danielle Centofanti Davidson, Chamber president at 9:54am. Forty-nine people were present.

Danielle gave opening and welcome remarks to kick off the 2024 Rivertown Chamber year.

County Update given by County Executive George Latimer and Shari Ascher

- County Executive George Latimer discussed the importance of the Chamber
- Shari Ascher shared information about current job fairs. Free for vendors and participants.
 - February 8th, 10am-1pm IT and cybersecurity job fair
 - Feb 29, worker-owned co-op information session
 - April 2024, Differently-abled focused job fair in county center
 - Date TBD, Job fair north of 287-Mt. Kisco library

Chamber Update given by Danielle

- Increase the value of Chamber Membership with member-only benefits, community building benefits, and virtual business workshops.
- New feature for members will be a "Members-only" discount guide by members. More detailed information coming in the newsletter.
- Another new feature is to promote business newsletters. More information in the upcoming newsletter.
- General meetings will happen every other month and will alternate between evening and morning start time.
- Public event updates
 - Fundraising will collaborate with a Rivertowns nonprofit.
 - Taste Local moves to Spring
 - Golf Open is moving to early fall/end of summer
 - Halloween event will be more of a ghost walk tour
 - Shop Local and Holiday Trolley will be the 2nd weekend of December

Sign up for various committees was passed around.

Meeting Sponsorship

Climbing Wolf was meeting sponsor and co-owner, JB made a few remarks

New Board Members/New Members

- Nitin Gupta (Dobbs Ferry) and Jena Schneider (Ardsley) introduced as new Village Representatives. New members were introduced (see below for names)
- **Village Chats**

- Meetings will be virtual. February will be Dobbs Ferry and Ardsley and March will be Hastings and Irvington.
- **Village updates:**
 - Irvington Girl Scouts are celebrating their 100th anniversary this year.
 - March 12th the Governor Mario M. Cuomo Bridge will be lit up in green for Girl Scouts.
 - March 10th-16th Irvington will be painted green.
 - Girl Scouts are looking for small businesses to put green light or sign in their business.
 - Girls Scouts fundraising luncheon is on April 14th.
 - Any businesses willing to participate reach out to chamber
- Next General Chamber Meeting: March 27, 2024 5 pm. This will be a special evening event and will be a celebration of members. This will start an annual tradition.

Meeting Adjourn by Danielle Centofanti Davidson at 10:17am

NEW MEMBERS (since November 2023 meeting)

Business	Name	Location
Parlor Dental	IgorIgor Chikunov	Dobbs Ferry
Hi There!	Eric Neuner	Dobbs Ferry
Rockstarters Organics	Sara Israel	Irvington
MVR Insurance Agency	John Verrino	Ardsley
Corcoran Legends Realty	Debra Goodwin	Irvington
Dough Nation Pizza Truck	Meagan Dalton/Dave DiBari	Dobbs Ferry
Galle 49	Steve Soleimani	Irvington
Compass Realty	Maya Sheehan	Dobbs Ferry
Rivertown Pediatrics	Nitin Gupta	Dobbs Ferry
Foundations Physical Therapy	Ronit Sukenick	Dobbs Ferry
Carly Jara Photography	Carly Jara	Dobbs Ferry
Westy Self Storage	Arlene Hickey	Elmsford
Irvington Girl Scouts		