**General Membership Meeting, Thursday, October 18th at JD’s Taphouse**

**Call to Order: 12:16**

**Introductions/ Business Updates:**

**Guest Speaker:** Abby with Minnesota Reading Corps-they cover reading and math for kids that are in the middle and don’t receive any help. Typically, kids will work with a tutor for 3-4 months and the “graduate” to be even with others in the class. They are looking for tutors. Need High School education. Tutors are paid a living allowance and education award.
 **Approve Minutes of September 20th Meeting:**

Motion to Approve-Craig Second - Gerry Motion Carried

**Approve Treasurer’s Report**

Financial Report

Motion to Approve- Craig Second- Jennifer Motion Carried

**Ongoing Business:**

1. Beautification Flower Pots-Rahn’s is going to pick up pots. 75 are still available for sale for $25 each. Money will be used to put up welcome flags.
2. Designer Bag Bingo- Nov 2nd. 20 tickets left.
3. Princess Party- October 27th (Sat) local talent. Tickets available on Community Ed website.
4. Rose Days- all 100 dozen were sold. Profits went to Little Miss and Miss Melrose.
5. Halloween-Wed, October 31st. Trick or treating at businesses from3:30-5. 4:15 kid parade and 4:30 party at library.
6. Holiday Kickoff- $1400 in donations so far. Looking for $2500. Raffle tickets are available.
7. Farmers Market- great season that ended now due to cold weather.

**New Business:**

1. Member Appreciation Dinner- Wednesday, November 14th at Meadowlark Country Club starting at 5pm. Voting in Treasurer, VP and member at large.

**Committee Reports:**

1. Lisa Atkinson, Economic Development – Conditional use permit and zoning variation for St. Mary’s Church being voted on tonight at city council meeting. Yoga studio is looking to relocate to a main-level building.

 2. Joe Fuechtmann, Agriculture-

 3. Stacey Austing-Jacobson, Education -

 4. Mike Brethorst, Legislative –

**Upcoming Meeting Dates:**

1. Next General Meeting: Member Appreciation Dinner: Wednesday, November 14th at Meadowlark Country Club – 5pm

**Adjourn: 12:53**

Motion to Adjourn – Craig Second – Jessica Adjourned

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 **Save the Date:**

* Every Tuesday: *Trivia* at JD’s Taphouse 7:30pm
* October 18th – TODAY! *Blood Drive* 12:30-6:30 at Melrose Legion
* October 19th- *Fish Fry and Meat Raffle* 5-8 Melrose Legion
* October 22nd - *Meet the Candidates* night hosted by Women of Today at the City Center – 7pm
* October 26th – *Boyscout Spagetti Dinner* – 5-8pm at the Legion
* October 27th – *Melrose Princess Party* at Melrose Elementry 1:00pm
* October 27th – *Fall Fest Kids Halloween Party* hosted by River of Life Church at Sauk Centre High School gym. Free candy, cotton candy, games, prizes and inflatables. 6-8pm
* October 28th- *Bingo Night*- St. Mary’s School Gym. $10. Free dinner at 6pm. Bingo at 6:30pm
* October 31st – *Halloween* parade, party, trick or treating
* November 2nd- *Designer Bag Bingo* – 7pm at Melrose Legion
* November 14th- *Membership Appreciation Dinner*, Meadowlark Country Club 5pm
* November 18th- *Holiday Craft Sale* by the New Munich Jaycees at the Legion 11-3
* November 23rd – *Melrose Holiday Kickoff*