

**Vicksburg Area Chamber of Commerce
Annual Meeting Minutes
September 29, 2009**

Refreshments from Good to Go Café served 7:00-7:15.

Meeting called to order at 7:15 pm by President, Gary Gray. Meeting held at Vicksburg Community Center.

Roll Call: Dustin Morton, Karen Coy, Kim Smith, Dave Downs, Joel Nelson, Joanne Craddock, Gregg Eicholtz, Steve McCowen and Executive Director Jennie Holmes.

Not present- Lee Mortimer

Others present:

Ken & Terri Franklin, Holly Fryling, Doug Springer, Bob Springer, Karla Stubblefield, Holli Tosch, Diana Pomeroy, Nicole Gray, Christina & Jessica Klok, Craig Smith, Laura Howard, Jim Smitchger, Brett Grossman, Mitch Moldovan, Sharron Butler, and Sue Moore.

President Gary Gray gave a welcome and opening remarks.

Executive Director Jennie Holmes gave a review of the past year and comments on looking ahead. New members present, Steve McCowen from LifeStory Funeral Home and Gregg Eicholtz from Prudential Financial, introduced themselves.

Jennie Holmes presented the 2009 Business of the Year Award to Craig and Kim Smith of Good to Go Café. Terri Franklin presented the 2009 Citizen of the Year Award to Diana Pomeroy.

Joanne Craddock and Dave Downs showed a slideshow of this year's events.

Announcements made:

Welcome new board members Steve McCowen and Gregg Eicholtz.

Sue Moore discussed the Harvest Festival on October 10th.

Joanne Craddock, on behalf of Tom and Pat Temple, invited people to attend the National Solar Energy Tour on October 10th with one of the stops being the Temples.

Terri Franklin announced the Main Street Revue is also October 10th.

Jennie Holmes announced two ribbon cuttings: Oct. 6th for Longbranch Saloon and Oct. 23rd for H&R Block.

Meeting adjourned at 7:54 pm.

Submitted by Joanne Craddock, Secretary