



**Smithville Chamber of Commerce
January Membership Meeting Minutes
January 10th, 2024
Smithville American Legion Post 58
Sponsored by Show-Me Real Estate**

Meeting called to order by Rebecca Pendleton-Meek at 11:35 am
The invocation given by Scott Pearson was followed with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Member Introductions

Chamber members introduced themselves and the business or organization they represent. All guests in attendance were also introduced and welcomed.

Program: Sponsored by Show-Me Real Estate

New Board Officers were sworn in, and all board members gave their oaths.

Rebecca Pendleton-Meek updated the chamber about nominees for the awards banquet, which is set for Feb 29th, 2024.

Updates about Fat Tuesday were given for the event, February 13th, 2024

REPORTS:

Executive Director Report – Erika Winston

New members WinScott Works, Baptist Home of Smithville, Big Toy Graphics, GFL Environmental INC

Rise 'n' Shine Feb 7th 730am-9am Agent Jo as sponsor

Ribbon cutting for McBee's Jan 18th 3pm

New directories will be delivered soon, next luncheon.

Sponsorships and donations for the silent auction for the awards banquet

Nominees for the awards banquet were announced.

January Member of the Month: CD DeFarkas Enterprises LLC

February Member of the Month: Smithville School District

City of Smithville Report – Cynthia Wagner

Reminder to park vehicles off the streets during bad weather to allow streets to be cleared by the city.

Bids for new projects are coming back in. 4th St/4th Ter area and area near Maple Elementary neighborhood.

Noted that civilians can report issues to the city via the city website.

Recreation programs for spring are underway.

MO-Dot Cooperation update

Smithville Public Schools Report – Dr. Mark Maus

2nd semester has started, kids will attend school on Presidents Day due to numerous snow day cancellations.

Spring Activities offered on the Community Bulletin Board, access to submissions via link on social media.

Dirt on 92 Hwy has been removed, new transportation facility is on track for July 1, 2024.

Special Drawings

5 winners were chosen randomly and received sponsorship gifts from Show-Me Real Estate

Special Announcements

Special announcements were made by Chamber members advertising future events and activities in the Smithville community.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:05pm.



**Smithville Chamber of Commerce
February Membership Meeting Minutes
Feb 21st, 2024
Smithville American Legion Post 58
Sponsored by Agent Jo & Associates**

Meeting called to order by Rebecca Pendleton-Meek at 12:03pm

The invocation given by Alvin Colston (Pastor of Smithville Bible Church) was followed with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Member Introductions

Chamber members introduced themselves and the business or organization they represent. All guests in attendance were also introduced and welcomed.

Opening Remarks and Updates- Rebecca Pendleton- Meek

Community Awards Banquet reminder, Feb 29th, 2024
Rise 'n' Shine, March 6th, at Timeless Event Center
Blood Drive at the Legion, Coming Soon
New Chamber Directories are here and available.
Knights of Columbus, Fish Fry Fridays
Green Tie Affair, contact Carol w/ Smithville School District
Smithville Lake Festival- Texas Hold'em Tournament, Coming Soon
Warrior Color Fun Run, Coming Soon
Easter Egg Hunt, March 30th, egg stuffers and donations are encouraged/needed.

Program: Sponsored by Agent Jo & Associates

Presentation & Giveaways made.

REPORTS:

Executive Director Report – Erika Winston

New Members: Smithville Bible Church, High Tide Properties, Super 8, Stephanie Dorr Homes, REMAX Revolution
Rise & Shine March 6th
New Chamber Directories are in and available.
Clay County EDC and mid-continent public library offering free small business bootcamp.
SSD February member of the month, toured with Dr Maus
March Chamber Member of the Month: Masonic Lodge

City of Smithville Report – Cynthia Wagner

PAFER- annual financial report made available from the city to the public on the website and newsletter.

- Activity Information
- REMINDER: no flushable wipes in the sewage, please.

Smithville Public Schools Report – Dr. Mark Maus

- Color Fun Run, March 19th, 2024- support district connections w/ the community
- Bond Updates: sidewalks completed, safety & security almost finished, concrete being poured at new transportation facility, middle school field construction is under construction.
- Winter Sports season is finishing up.
- Spring Sports season is beginning.

Special Drawings

Special Announcements

Special announcements were made by Chamber members advertising future events and activities in the Smithville community.

- Carol Noecker- Green Tie Affair
- David Cooper: hosting Social Security Seminar
- Farmers Market: free booths for NPO's. Extending the season from May to October
- Ed Taylor Video Updates
- Dewayne Knott: Valor Ranch Texas Hold'Em Tournament, Clay County Suicide Prevention update

Next Month Sponsor: Platte-Clay Electric

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:53 pm.



**Smithville Chamber of Commerce
March Membership Meeting Minutes
March 13th, 2024
Smithville American Legion Post 58
Sponsored by Platte-Clay Electric Cooperative**

Meeting called to order by Rebecca Pendleton-Meek at 12:01pm

The invocation was given by Daniel Hartman and was followed with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Opening Remarks and Updates- Rebecca Pendleton- Meek

Prom for Prom at American Legion, April 6th, 2024. Looking for sponsors for tables.

Childress Transportation offering free rides for medical appointments for veterans, rides sponsored by Mayor Boley.

Platte-Clay Youth Tour judges needed, April 10th.

Missouri Dept of Economic Development is hosting a Lunch 'n' Learn, March 22nd, 2024. Registration is open.

Cosentino's Price Chopper is now offering catering again.

Member Introductions

Chamber members introduced themselves and the business or organization they represent. All guests in attendance were also introduced and welcomed.

Program: Sponsored by Platte-Clay Electric & Associates, meal by Kozak's Laketown Grille
Presentation & Giveaways made.

REPORTS:

Executive Director Report – Erika Winston

April Chamber Member of the Month will be..... Smithville Historical Museum.

New members: NKCHS Hospital, Timeless Event Center, GT Tow Services and Smithville Ford.

Rise and Shine April 3rd, sponsored by Agent Jo.

Lunch n Learn March 22nd at the library.

March 28th Ribbon Cutting at 530pm.

Easter Egg Hunt, March 30th.

Egg stuffing party March 17th noon Smithville FWC.

New Chamber Member Directories are available.

City of Smithville Report – Cynthia Wagner

Construction season is in full swing, with many approved city projects are launching.

Grant funds are being accumulated and used for projects in our community.

Smithville Public Schools Report – Dr. Mark Maus/Mindy Hedgecorth

Dr Maus is at the Girls State Basketball Tournament.

Color Run coming up, 1.3mi run/walk, food trucks & student showcases available.

Green Tie Affair, Thurs March 14th.

April 26th & 27th Student Lead Art Exhibition.

Special Drawings

There was a drawing for a couple of prizes from Platte-Clay Electric Cooperative.

Special Announcements

Special announcements were made by Chamber members advertising future events and activities in the Smithville community.

Next Month Sponsor: Smithville Housing Authority

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:04 pm



**Smithville Chamber of Commerce
April Membership Meeting Minutes
4.10.2024
Smithville American Legion Post 58
Sponsored by Smithville Housing Authority**

Meeting called to order by Rebecca Pendleton-Meek at 11:32am

The invocation was given by David Cooper and was followed with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Opening Remarks and Updates- Rebecca Pendleton- Meek

Easter Egg Hunt yielded about 14k eggs and a great crowd

Prom for Prom was successful

Farmers Market starting back up May 1st downtown on the square

Smithville Parks & Rec Dept has expanded their community offerings, check website for details

Member Introductions

Chamber members introduced themselves and the business or organization they represent. All guests in attendance were also introduced and welcomed.

Program: Sponsored by Smithville Housing Authority, Lunch offered by Price Chopper

We'd like to thank Smithville Housing Authority for the presentation

REPORTS:

Executive Director Report – Erika Winston

May Chamber Member of the Month: Show Me Real Estate

New members: Brad's Tow & Recovery

Rise 'n' Shine: May 1st, Central Bank of the Midwest (north branch)

Ribbon Cutting: April 24th for Douglas Airport Historical Marker, Camp Branch, B loop, Site 144

City of Smithville Report – Cynthia Wagner

Not Present

Smithville Public Schools Report – Dr. Mark Maus/Mindy Hedgecorth

Mobile Mammogram Bus, Main Campus April 23rd from 7a-5p

Color Run was a success

Art Show; April 26th/27th w/ free pancake breakfast by international students

Transportation Facility construction is going well, end of July completion date

Middle School Athletic Field is nearly done

Testing season is underway throughout all grade levels

Smithville Education Foundation purchased all the eclipse glasses for all grade levels

Special Drawings

None

Special Announcements

Special announcements were made by Chamber members advertising future events and activities in the Smithville community.

Next Month Sponsor: Saint Luke's North Hospital- Smithville

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:35pm



**Smithville Chamber of Commerce
May Membership Meeting Minutes
5.8.2024**

**Smithville American Legion Post 58
Sponsored by Saint Luke's North Hospital- Smithville**

Meeting called to order by Rebecca Pendleton-Meek at 11:57am

The invocation was given by Dewayne Knott and was followed with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Opening Remarks and Updates- Rebecca Pendleton- Meek

Farmers Market is back open on Wednesday nights
Parks and Rec has new events and community offerings on their website
IV and Wellness Med Spa, Customer Appreciation Day Friday May 10th 2-5pm
Larson's Cruise for a Cause, downtown Saturday May 11th
Ladoga Concert Schedule is now available on their website
Bounce Fest May 25th

Member Introductions

Chamber members introduced themselves and the business or organization they represent. All guests in attendance were also introduced and welcomed.

Program:

Sponsored by: Saint Luke's North Hospital- Smithville
Lunch offered: by Kozak's Laketown Grill

REPORTS:

Executive Director Report – Erika Winston

May Chamber Member of the Month: Show-Me Real Estate
New Members: Between the Buoys, Joshua Svoboda, Lizard Lock Service, Patricia American family
Rise 'n' Shine: Smithville Bible Church
May After Hours Event: Phil Zehms - Terrace Park Funeral Home
Multi Chamber After Hours Event: June 13th 4-6p
June Chamber Member of the Month: Cowell James Forge!

City of Smithville Report – Cynthia Wagner

Construction around town continues, weather permitting.
169hwy & 188th could be closed by MODOT for up to 45 days, starting as early as May 28th
Conservations with EDC about the World Cup are starting
Working on a new 'Citizens in the Community' project

Smithville Public Schools Report – Dr. Mark Maus

Transportation Facility construction is still going and ECD is end of July
Middle School Utility field should be ready end of June
Seniors graduating this month
National and State Testing is finishing up at all grade levels

Special Drawings

None

Special Announcements

Special announcements were made by Chamber members advertising future events and activities in the Smithville community.

Next Month Sponsor:

David Cooper with Edward Jones, Investments.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:51pm



**Smithville Chamber of Commerce
June Membership Meeting Minutes
6.12.24
Smithville American Legion Post 58
Sponsored by Edward Jones- David Cooper**

Meeting called to order by Rebecca Pendleton-Meek at 11:57am

The invocation was given by Phil Zehms and was followed with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Opening Remarks and Updates- Rebecca Pendleton- Meek

Multi Chamber after hours this Thursday 6/13 at Ladoga winery.
Lakefest Father's Day weekend (Fri 6/14 and Sat 6/15).
Between the Buoys Ribbon cutting- Friday 6/14 530pm.
Gios Outdoors Ribbon Cutting- Saturday 6/15 2pm.
Fathers Day Brunch 10-1 on Sunday at the American Legion.
Chamber Kayak Night, Wed June 19th.
Parks & Rec website offers many activities for our community.

Member Introductions

Chamber members introduced themselves and the business or organization they represent. All guests in attendance were also introduced and welcomed.

Program:

Sponsored by: Edward Jones- David Cooper.
Lunch catered by The American Legion.

REPORTS:

Executive Director Report – Erika Winston

June Chamber Member of the Month: Cowell James Forge Insurance Group.
New Members: Town Square Publications, Massie Holdings? Gios Outdoors.
Rise 'n' Shine: no July event.
Multi Chamber After Hours Event: June 13th 4-6p @ Ladoga Ridge Winery.
July Chamber Member of the Month: Smithville American Legion.

City of Smithville Report – Cynthia Wagner

Hwy 169 project, mid July ECD.
July is Parks & Rec month.
City website offers application for new program - 'Citizens Academy'.

Smithville Public Schools Report – Dr. Mark Maus

Transportation building should be ready before the school year starts.
High school gymnasium and middle school field will be done prior to the start of the school year.
Finishing safety renovations throughout all schools including cameras and exterior safety measures.
Summer school is in full session with great enrollment.

Special Drawings

Beach Swag drawing sponsored by Edward Jones.

Special Announcements

Special announcements were made by Chamber members advertising future events and activities in the Smithville community.

Next Month Sponsor:

Cramer Capital Management

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:56pm



**Smithville Chamber of Commerce
July Membership Meeting Minutes
7.10.24
Smithville American Legion Post 58
Sponsored by Cramer Capital Management**

Meeting called to order by Rebecca Pendleton-Meek at 12pm

The invocation was given by Dewayne Knott and was followed with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Opening Remarks and Updates- Rebecca Pendleton- Meek

Gios Outdoors and Between the Buoys ribbon cuttings went well
Chamber kayak night was great!
Lakefest was successful and well attended

Member Introductions

Chamber members introduced themselves and the business or organization they represent. All guests in attendance were also introduced and welcomed.

Program:

Sponsored by: Cramer Capital Management
Lunch catered by: The American Legion

REPORTS:

Executive Director Report – Erika Winston

July Chamber Member of the Month: Smithville American Legion post 58
New Members: Paradise Outfitters
Rise 'n' Shine: Aug 7th Tasha Ferrell- Farmers Insurance
August Chamber Member of the Month: Smithville Historical Society
BBQ Bash Sept 28th, looking for sponsors and team registrations are open

City of Smithville Report – Cynthia Wagner

US 169 & 188th is now open
Streetscape phase 3 is set to start October
Citizens Academy is launching, can learn more on the city website
Fall sports registration is now open

Smithville Public Schools Report – Dr. Mark Maus

Transportation facility is nearly done, busses are here and ready
Gym construction is on time
Middle School Field is done and ready for games soon
New teachers report Aug 6, returning teachers Aug 12
Back to school nights coming up
Vendor and benefits fair, sponsorships available through Kim Davis
Community Tailgate at one of the home football games, date TBD

Special Drawings

3 gifts given out by Cramer Capital Management

Special Announcements

Special announcements were made by Chamber members advertising future events and activities in the Smithville community.

Next Month Sponsor:

Justin Hough w RE/MAX Revolution

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:56pm



**Smithville Chamber of Commerce
August Membership Meeting Minutes
8.14.24
Smithville American Legion Post 58
Sponsored by Justin Hough- KC Homes by RE/MAX Revolution**

Meeting called to order by Rebecca Pendleton-Meek at 12pm

The invocation was given by Dewayne Knott and was followed with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Opening Remarks and Updates: Rebecca Pendleton- Meek

Member Introductions

Chamber members introduced themselves and the business or organization they represent. All guests in attendance were also introduced and welcomed.

Program:

Sponsored by: Justin Hough KC Homes by RE/MAX Revolution

Lunch catered by: Longboards

REPORTS:

Executive Director Report – Erika Winston

August Chamber Member of the Month: Smithville Historical Society.

New Members:

- Go Home Port RV Service & Repairs
- Campbell Custom Homes
- 56 Ready Go
- County Line Excavating
- Snack Daddy's

Rise 'n' Shine: Sept 4th, 7:30am-9am sponsored by Show- Me Real Estate and High Tide Properties.

BBQ Bash Sept 28th, looking for sponsors and team registrations are open.

Grass Roots Garden Lounge is Open.

Northland Chamber of Commerce is accepting applications for 2025 leadership.

New directories with Town Square Publications, opportunities for ads are available.

September Chamber Member of the Month: Justin Hough KC Homes by RE/MAX Revolution

City of Smithville Report – Cynthia Wagner

Update on building/construction work at Heritage Park.

MODOT construction cones on south side of 169 near new Fairview development near commercial, working on concrete medians and lane separations, entrances, etc.

2025 budget highlights include...

- designs and projects for sidewalks from 2nd creek & 169 and a River Walk in 2026
- Improvement projects for wastewater and treatment systems, with future increases of up to 15% on residents' bills in the near future.
- sidewalk on commercial street towards downtown near the roundabout.

- new trail connecting diamond crest and lake meadows
- redesign of city website for better user accessibility
- community survey to be sent out next year

Smithville Public Schools Report – Dr. Mark Maus

School starts 8/19.

No late start Wednesday anymore

Transportation facility and department is done and ready for the school year.

Middle School Track and High School will be ready for students by the start of school.

Board of Education key dates...

- Sept 13th, 530pm-630pm: Southern Bank Sponsoring Community Tailgate before the Smithville/Kearney football game
- Sept 25th, 530pm-730pm: Open House at the Transportation Facility

Special Drawings

3 gifts were given out by Justin Hough

Special Announcements

Special announcements were made by Chamber members advertising future events and activities in the Smithville community.

Next Month Sponsor:

Southern Bank

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:15pm



**Smithville Chamber of Commerce
September Membership Meeting Minutes
9.11.24
Smithville American Legion Post 58
Sponsored by Southern Bank**

Meeting called to order by Rebecca Pendleton-Meek at 12:02pm

The invocation was given by Dan Hartman and was followed with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Opening Remarks and Updates: Rebecca Pendleton- Meek

****Call for help**** CIA needs volunteers for Friday 5th qtr after the Varsity Football game.

9/14 CIA 5k this Saturday

9/14 Packs Hardware has event

9/21 clay county parks lake clean up day at sailboat cove

9/24 6-9 Molly Beale hosting free photography class

9/28 chamber backyard bbq bash, still need sponsors and cooking/grilling teams

9/28 Junkville

10/2 Blood Drive in Kearney via Platte Clay Electric

10/5 Festiville by Eric Craig

Haunted Campground will return in Oct

Senior Real Estate Property Tax program. 1/31

Member Introductions

Chamber members introduced themselves and the business or organization they represent. All guests in attendance were also introduced and welcomed.

Program:

Sponsored by: Southern Bank

Lunch catered by: American Legion

REPORTS:

Executive Director Report – Erika Winston

September Chamber Member of the Month: Justin Hough, KC Homes, RE/MAX Revolution

New Members:

- Stafford Leavitt Insurance

Rise 'n' Shine: Oct 2nd sponsored by Agent Jo & Associates

BBQ Bash Sept 28th, looking for sponsors and team registrations are open. ****Needs volunteers****

Town square Publications is working on the new directory. Ad space available.

October Chamber Member of the Month: Stafford- Leavitt Insurance

City of Smithville Report – Cynthia Wagner

Photo contest for the city, used for marketing & websites

E-waste event

September is Residential bulky-item pick up

9/23 Streetscape phase 3

Smithville Public Schools Report – Dr. Mark Maus

Community Tailgate 9/13 530-630pm at the HS campus, before the Kearney Vs Smithville Varsity FB game. Sponsored by Southern Bank and Show-Me State Realty
Homecoming 9/20, parade and game.
9/25 transportation facility open house and ribbon cutting

Special Drawings

Basket drawing

Special Announcements

Special announcements were made by Chamber members advertising future events and activities in the Smithville community.

9/13 Stafford-Leavitt Ribbon Cutting at 2pm

Next Month Sponsor:

Plattsburg License Bureau

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at



**Smithville Chamber of Commerce
October Membership Meeting Minutes
10.9.24
Smithville American Legion Post 58
Sponsored by Plattsburg License Office**

Meeting called to order by Rebecca Pendleton-Meek at 12:04pm

The invocation was given by Josh Hurlbert and was followed with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Opening Remarks and Updates: Chamber President, Rebecca Pendleton- Meek

Haunted Campground Smiths Forks park, donations are being accepted for Chamber Booth
Renewals have gone out, see Erica for questions. Due 12/31/24 to be included in the new Directory
Rebecca's President board seat is opening up and there will be a vacancy.

- President, Treasurer, and 3 members-at-large will be on the ballot for the next upcoming vote

Member Introductions

Chamber members introduced themselves and the business or organization they represent. All guests in attendance were also introduced and welcomed.

Program:

Sponsored by: **Plattsburg License Office**

Lunch catered by: **American Legion**

REPORTS:

Executive Director Report – Erika Winston

October Chamber Member of the Month: Stafford-Leavitt Insurance

Rise 'n' Shine: Nov 6th farmers insurance

Town square Publications is working on the new directory. Ad space available.

New Members: Renew Your Workplace

BBQ Bash was a success!

10/10 Hosting a "Mastering Onboarding Employees in the Workplace" Workshop

10/26 Haunted Campground sponsored by Southern Bank

12/7: Next Chamber event is: Candyland Christmas at the Senior Center

2/27/25: Community Awards Banquet @ White Iron Ridge

November Chamber Member of the Month: Plattsburg License Office

City of Smithville Report – Cynthia Wagner

New fiscal year upcoming for city budget

Commercial St closed due to AT&T

The Planning Commission and EDC had a meeting about the South Overlay.

Smithville Public Schools Report – Dr. Mark Maus

Community Engagement event high school football game tailgating

The Career Fair was a success for students.

The SD thanks the community for the homecoming events and cooperation with the events as its a stress on the downtown businesses.

The SD thanks MCC for working with SSD in allowing gets to get on campus for classes while finishing out their high school time

Special Drawings

Special Announcements

Special announcements were made by Chamber members advertising future events and activities in the Smithville community.

Next Month Sponsor: Security Bank of Kansas City

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at



**Smithville Chamber of Commerce
November Membership Meeting Minutes
11.13.24
Smithville American Legion Post 58
Sponsored by Security Bank of KC**

Meeting called to order by Rebecca Pendleton-Meek at 12:20

The invocation was given by Josh Hurlbert and was followed with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Opening Remarks and Updates: Chamber President, Rebecca Pendleton- Meek

New Seats are available on the Chamber Board

- President
- Treasurer
- 3 member at large

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Program:

Sponsored by: Security Bank

Lunch catered by: **American Legion**

Special Program: Smithville Band

Executive Director Report – Erika Winston

- November Chamber Member of the Month: **Plattsburg License Office**
- Rise ‘n’ Shine: 12.4.24 Terrace Park Funeral Homes 730-9am
- 12/7: Next Chamber event is: Candyland Christmas at the Senior Center
- 2/27/25: Community Awards Banquet @ White Iron Ridge
- December Chamber Member of the Month:
- Chamber Renewal letters are out, see Erika with questions

City of Smithville Report – Cynthia Wagner

North Bridge St construction will continue until Spring

Commercial St is Open

Planning commission approved site plans for future development, including 64 new townhomes
86 apartments

Old Hospital... 86 apartments + retail/commercial, parking

New playground behind

Smithville Public Schools Report – Dr. Mark Maus

Fall Sports are wrapping up

Cheerleading won state championship

Winter Sports have started

Special Drawings

Floral Table Arrangements by Gene's Flowers

Special Announcements

Special announcements were made by Chamber members advertising future events and activities in the Smithville community.

Next Month Sponsor:

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:58