



# Gloucester Business Association

P O Box 327, Chepachot, Rhode Island 02814

Membership Meeting - May 22, 1997

Location: Stateline Restaurant

Meeting called to order at 8:20 PM

Ten businesses were represented.

## SECRETARY'S REPORT -

Secretary's Report of March 20, 1997 was approved as read.

Board Minutes were read, approved, and filed.

## TREASURER'S REPORT -

Report was read, approved, and filed.

## OLD BUSINESS -

1. The Scorpio Award was presented to past president Joanne Nesbitt, in absentia, and will be mailed to her.
2. The Brochure/Membership Committee reported 83 members to date with more expected to join.

## NEW BUSINESS -

1. The selection of Shandra Parenteau as the 1997 scholarship recipient was announced.
2. The 1997 brochure was presented and distributed as approved by the Board of Directors with a change in paper stock ordered by Kevin Kitson
3. Ideas to promote Gloucester were presented, among them the proposal to enter a GBA float in the 1998 Ancient and Horribles Fourth of July parade and the idea of becoming a Bryant College Small Business Administration program client.
4. Kevin Kitson announced that Santa Claus needed a new place to be stored. He has arranged for C-Line to donate a truck body to be kept at the town facilities on Chestnut Hill Rd. for this purpose.
5. A Zoning Board hearing on the proposed medical building near the Smithfield-Gloicester town line will be held on May 29th. Members are encouraged to attend.

## COMMITTEE/LIASON REPORTS -

1. TOWN COUNCIL - No town counsellors being present in response to our invitation, Norma reported that the Retail Inventory Tax repeal proposal will be on the Council's agenda on July 24th.
2. WASTEWATER COMMISSION - Discussions are ongoing regarding the release of raw sewage into the Chepachot River from properties in the village.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 9:20 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Alison Tierney, Secretary

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