**Attendees**

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| **Name** | **Company** |
| Ryan Berry | Berry Digital Soluctions, Board President |
| Chris Anders | Berry Digital Soluctions, Board Vice President |
| Katie Neer | Solomon’s Garage, LLC, Board Secretary |
| Mark Boyer | Shine FM, Board Treasurer |
| Erika Carter | Berry Digital Solutions |
| Dave Neer | Solomon’s Garage, LLC |
| Jessica Anders | Berry Digital Solutions |
| Michelle Neer | MCC Thrift |
| Sue Folt | MCC Thrift |
| Cindee Boyd (& Noah) | Village Clerk |
| Rebecca Craig | Marie’s Candies |
| Kathy King | Marie’s Candies |
| Bob Rabenstein | Rabenstein Electric |
| Teresa Rabenstein | Rabenstein Electric |
| Rebecca Marker-Smith | Green Hills |
| Arlis Gascho | Community Health & Wellness |
| Todd Haines | Adriel |
| Terry McGarry | Adriel |
| Lydia Hess | Champaign Co Chamber |
| Terry Markin | Markin Farms Zipline Adventures |
| Julie Markin | Markin Farms Zipline Adventures |
| Sherry Forsythe | Highland Country Store |
| Nancy Spragen | Logan County Library |
| Jeff Yoder | Yoder Concrete Construction, LLC |
| Roberta Yoder | Bobbi’s Bungalow and YCC |
| Malia Hughes | The Marketplace |
| Jana Hunt | The Marketplace |
| Laurien Boyer | Shine FM |
| Mitch Lingrell | LT’s Uniquities |
| Cindy Oelker | Liberty Gathering Place |
| Laura Haverkos | Flying Pepper |
| Humberto Nieto | Flying Pepper |
| Rev. Tami Wenger | Project Teddybear, Bicentennial Committee |
| Wes Krabill | West Liberty Building & Supply Ltd. |
| Susie Krabill | West Liberty Building & Supply Ltd. |
| Joyce Woodruff | Historical Society |
| Donna Lou Erwin | Historical Society |
| David Pennington | Affordable Frames |
| Becky Pennington | Affordable Frames |

**Minutes**

**Welcome** **& Greeting** – Ryan Berry, WLBA Board President, had everyone introduce themselves and state who they represent.

**Invocation** – Mark Boyer, Shine FM

**Meal –** Green Hills Community , **Sponsors –** Edward Jones, Civista Bank, Solomon’s Garage, Marie’s Candies, System 7 and Peoples Savings and Loan Company

**Financial Report** – Mark Boyer, WLBA Board Treasurer, summarized the 2016-2017 fiscal year. Mark explained that we have a healthy balance in the account, and the Association plans to do many things in the coming year to boost business for the WLBA members with those funds. If anyone has ideas, please share with the Board. Mark said the largest money makers for the Association are the member dues, website ads and Tour of Homes.

**Bicentennial Committee Report -** Tami Wenger states that the Committee is gearing up for our Village 200th Birthday on July 6-9, 2017. Tami said the Committee meets the 2nd & 4th Tuesday of each month at 6:30p.m. at the Town Hall and all are encouraged to get involved to make the 4 day celebration one to remember. All businesses are encouraged to participate by decorating in patriotic colors and displaying photos of businesses that used to exist in our locations. Visit westliberty200.com for more info about events that will include an old fashioned tent meeting, food trucks, hog roasts, car show, community picnic, drone photo, and more.

**Historical Committee Report-** Joyce Woodruff and Donna Lou reported on the Historical Committee. They mentioned they are working on raising funds and at least making the second floor usable for the community. They also provided an update on the Bailey House.

**Website Report –** Chris Anders, Berry Digital Solutions,shared a report on mywestliberty.com analytics for the past year. The website continues to be a hub of information about all things West Liberty. He urged all members to link their business websites directly to the mywestliberty.com website to boost local traffic. A silent auction was held for ad space on the website at the end of the meeting.

**Fireworks /Block Party Update -** Cindy Oelker, Liberty Gathering Place,shared the Block party will be held Fri June 10 downtown with a meal and games to raise money for fireworks show to be held in late June.

**Association Report** – Ryan reported of some of the work the association has done in the past year, including the Garage sale day map and restrooms, Fall and Spring open houses, Christmas in the Village, #shoplocal social media campaigns, the Tour of Homes and the Historic videos that will live on the mywestliberty.com History page. One of the things we have been working on this past year is an updated trifold brochure. Katie remarked that the purpose of this brochure is to provide tourists coming to West Liberty for a day or a weekend with info on where to stay, dine, shop, and visit. Brochure samples were used as placemats and members were encouraged to mark them up and turn them in or email the association with any feedback. Ryan will be working with Cancer Society in the coming year to do a project similar to Bellefontaine’s doors of encouragement.

**Kraig Hissong** was the featured speaker. He is WLS School Superintendent. Kraig spoke about the school construction project, open enrollment, school grade card reports, the school shooting, ALICE training, and the addition of a school resource officer.

**Silent Auction –** Following the speakers, ad spaces for the main pages of [www.mywestliberty.com](http://www.mywestliberty.com) were auctioned off. The winners of the silent auction ad spaces will be announced soon. Proceeds from the Silent Auction will be used for the Business Association. Thank you everyone for your bids.

**Door Prizes –** Katie Neer announced that the Marketplace provided the centerpieces and they were given away as door prizes.