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Bettendorf Kiwanis

NOVEMBER 2, 2011

Minutes from the November 1 Meeting

There were 20 in attendance with 2 speakers. Maria led the meeting and Wally offered the prayer. Maria welcomed Dave O. back from China. Dave will present a program soon about his trip to China! Rex is still in need of a program chair for the month of January.

Maria said there were 9 members plus family who volunteered as marshals in the Halloween parade last Sunday.

Maria passed around a basket to collect donations for the Thanksgiving baskets. Dave N. passed around his container for trick or treating for UNICEF.

Janet reminded everyone of our service project this Saturday, Nov 5 at the Bettendorf Food Pantry. We will be cleaning shelves for them. If you would like to be part of this service project, be at the Food Pantry on Saturday at 9am.

Jim asked everyone to please follow up with any guests that attended last week.

Eric said that he is planning an interclub to Clinton for Nov 9. The Clinton club meets at noon.

Dave N. introduced our speakers, Bob Gallagher and Dave Thede, both who are candidates for Mayor of Bettendorf.



Dave Thede spoke first. His wife, Phyllis, has been an elected state official for the past 4 years. Since then Dave and his wife have received numerous calls from residents about different matters. He would like a mayor who was more responsive to city residents.

He acknowledges the city is in debt but says the money was to complete some major projects now when money is cheaper. The city now needs to re-prioritize. To increase jobs, he favors an incentive plan instead of TIFs.

Next Bob Gallagher spoke. Bob said he has a passion for Bettendorf. He believes through his many volunteer experiences that he would be the best ambassador for the city. He believes what the city needs is a strong leader.

Bob's four main areas of focus are: job creation and expansion, family friendly and environmentally concerned, exceptional city services and amenities, and fiscal responsibility.

He explained the current city debt situation as just one piece of the financial pie and that the rest of the pie is in very good condition. The projects that were funded, like Tanglefoot Road, will not have to occur again in 100 years.

Maria thanked both of our speakers and reminded everyone to vote on November 8. Bettendorf residents can vote early this week until Friday at the library.

Program Chair for November—Dave Nichols
Nov 8—Business meeting

Program Chair for December—Steve Grimes

*Humor is
mankind's
greatest
blessing.*

Mark Twain