MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Thursday, October 15th, 2026 (12pm) – Congregational Church of Burlington

1) Call to Order - 12:08 by Heather Chirumbolo

2) Around the Room (:30 intros) - Olivia Miloff (BCC Secretary), Lauren Howard (BCC Director), John Seagrave (BCC Past President), Katie D'Agostino (CCCC Director), Kerry Brash (BCC Past President), Jade LaBella (BCC VP), Heather Chirumbolo (BCC President), DJ Murphy (BCC Director), Chris Mooney (BCC Director), Tom Smith (BCC Director), Darcy Dziedzic (Guest), Tom Dunn (BCC Member)

3) J.P. Parente (EDC) (Tavern Day) (America 250) – Not present

    a. Vendors carrying over for 2027
    b. Glasses for Tavern Day are at Prestige Plumbing and will be sold at Prestige's Pumpkin Festival on October 17th along with Legitimus' Oktoberfest beer
    c. Next meeting for Tavern Day is Friday, October 16th to recap the year and discuss plans for 2027
    d. America 250 group dissolves 11/1

4) Approval of Previous Meeting(s) Minutes – September 17th, *2026*
    a. *Approved, 1st Tom Smith, 2nd John Seagrave*

5) Treasurer's Report – *Rich, Approved, 1st Jade, 2nd Olivia*

    a. Bank Balance = $13,693.86 as of 10/14/2026

    b. Expenses since last report:
        1. $301.66 — In Concert Web Solutions ($97.74), Webscape Design ($159.00), and Eversource ($44.92)
        2. $558.00 — Travelers annual D&O policy renewal
        3. $145.44 — Canva annual subscription
        4. $16.40 — USPS stamps for member invoice mailing
        5. $23.86 — Market 32: plates, napkins, and water for 10/7 Lunch & Learn
        6. $89.28 — Amazon.com: table stands and supplies for Holiday Stroll
        7. $150.00 — Reimbursement to Heather for Tammy and Mark Gift Card
        8. $496.28 — Heather reimbursement for holiday ornaments and supplies

    c. Outstanding checks:

1. $85.88 — Reimbursement to Kerry for September Member Meeting catering
2. $75.14 — Reimbursement to Kerry for 10/7 Lunch & Learn catering

d. Credits since last report:
   1. $550.00 — Membership Dues
   2. $1,100.00 — Holiday Tree Sponsorships

e. Accounts Receivable:

   1. $3,975.00 — Membership Dues (22 Members)

6) Town & Affiliate Reports
   a. Doug Thompson (First Selectman) – Not Present
   b. Katie D'Agostino (Central CT Chamber of Commerce)
      i. October 27th - Member-To-Member Business Expo and Business After Hours (5-7pm)
      ii. October 29th - PYVOT Oct After Hours- Escape From Reality (6:30 – 8:45pm)
      iii. November 6th - PYVOT Presents, "Off the Clock" A YP Talent Show (5-9pm)
      iv. November 6th - Bristol Business Education Foundation Trivia Night (6-9pm)
      v. November 12th – Burlington Chamber Business After Hours (5-7pm) at Keystone Place
      vi. November 13th – House of BBQ and Bacon Ribbon Cutting (11am – 12pm)
      vii. November 17th – Morning Jolt (8-9am)
      viii. November 18th – Workforce Wednesday Workforce Wednesday - Leader vs. Manager (11:30 am – 1 pm)
      ix. November 19th – Burlington Chamber Membership Meeting (12-1pm)

7) Committee Updates
   a. Membership – *Rich/John*
      i. Membership Count
         1. Total members = 94
         2. Business members = 85
         3. Friends of BCC members = 9
         4. New business members = 2: Rettenmeier Design LLC and Geraldine's Social & Supper
         5. New Friends of BCC members = 0
         6. Past due members = 22 members

      ii. Heather and Rich met on 9/24 to put together paper invoices and notices to mail to all past due members. Rich mailed them out from Burlington P.O. that same day.

b. Events – *Kerry/Jade/Heather/Chris*
    i. Upcoming Events
        1. November 12th – Business After Hours @ Keystone (5-7pm)
        2. December 2nd – Sidewalk Stroll (5-7pm)
        3. December 7th – Burlington Chamber Holiday Party (5:30pm)

c. Holiday – Committee – next meeting is Wednesday, 10/21 at 4PM
    i. Stroll – Jade
        1. Partnering businesses with ones in Burington – if your business is outside of the main stroll area and interested in participation, you will be partnered with a business along the stroll
        2. If any business is interested in joining, contact Jade by the end of October

    ii. Holiday Trees/ Ornaments – Heather
        1. Heather to pick up decorated ornaments by November 20th
        2. November 24th – BCC will Hang ornaments on the smaller trees on the Burlington Green, anyone is welcome to join! We will start at 3PM.
        3. Any sponsorships are welcome, mail check to the Burlington Chamber or use QR code on flyer – Deadline for sponsorship to be recognized on Park & Rec program is November 15th
        4. Over 500 ornaments decorated by kids around Burlington

d. Marketing – *Margie/Jade*
    i. Newsletter goes out first and third Tuesday of every month

8) Chamber Updates
    a. Crescent Manufacturing – Ribbon Cutting – October 20th 10AM-12PM
    b. Prestige Plumbing Works – Pumpkin Festival – October 17th at 12PM
    c. 2027 Hosting opportunities for BAH, coffee connection, lunch and learns
    d. Help us keep growing! Referral bonus

9) Discussion
    a. November 10th - Lunch and Learn @ Canton Senior Center with Jade and Heather
    b. John Seagrave hired a new Wealth Associate, starting first week of November
    c. Lumen Therapy Collective – Just accomplished 1 year since opening
    d. New building in center of town update:
        i. Closing first week of March
        ii. Groundbreaking immediately after closing, completion aimed mid to late 2028

10) **Next Meeting:** Thursday, November 19th (noon) at the Burlington Library
11) Meeting Adjourned – 1:01 by Heather Chirumbolo