

Fort Recovery Chamber of Commerce & Merchant Association Meeting
Minutes July 28, 2026

The Fort Recovery Chamber of Commerce met in regular session on July 28, 2026

Members Present: Laura Wenning, JoAnne Glentzer, Shawn Robinson, Holly Bihn, Jenni Smith, Mandy Diller, Keshia Willmann, Thomas Shaw, Jessica Otte, Connor Rammel, Samantha Knapke, Nikki Kremer, Kendra Jones, Angie Brunswick, Janelle Braun, Denise Shannon, Ashley Lennartz and Kristy Post.

Special Guest: Tim from the American Heart Association was present to educate on the importance of CPR in improving survival rates of death due to a Heart Attack. He provided a brief demonstration of how to perform hands only CPR and mannequins were provided for businesses to take and educate staff. This event was sponsored by J&M Manufacturing and the Fort Recovery Industries. Thank you for providing this service.

Chamber Treasurer Report: Beginning balance \$12,892.57: Receipts of \$2330.00 and ending balance \$12,202.37. Fort Recovery scholarship fund is \$10, 830.44. The Golf outing had an income of \$7,590.00 and expenses of \$3840.00 with a profit of \$3750.00. Thanks for a great event. Janelle made a motion to approve and Keshia Seconded.

Merchants Treasurer Report: No report as of this date.

Chamber:

- Chamber needed to elect new officers. Thomas agreed to be moved to the position of President. Connor was nominated as Vice President and agreed. Motion to accept new officers made by Jenni, seconded by Samantha.

Merchants Association:

- Tractor Pulls are this weekend. It is looking like rain but we are hoping for good weather. We will be selling slushies and ice cream.
- Upcoming events include the WOW. We will be selling margaritas and shots. A sign up to work was passed around.
- Tax Free Weekend will be August 7-9. This includes school related items and clothing \$75 or less.
- The Scarecrow contest in town will begin in October, ending with the Halloween Parade. Ashley is willing to help with marketing and Laura is willing to help with the event.

Village:

- No new updates

School:

- No new Updates

Jubilee:

- Wrap up meeting will be on August 12 at the Ambassadors.

Community Foundation:

- No new updates

Project Recovery/Historical Society:

- The Opera House will have its grand opening this week, Wed July 29th
- One of a Kind Auction will be sometime in October , it's the 25th anniversary of the event. Mary and Randy last year to chair the event.

WOW:

- There is 1 campsite left.
- The WOW assisted in renovation costs for the Opera house including the old FRRadio area with the agreement that they could use that space. They purchased signage to put on the door advertising town events. Thanks to the WOW. It looks great.

Other Notes/Business Updates:

- Friends of the Arts has their last summer concert at the Ampitheater this Sunday, August 2 at 7 pm. It will be Shania Twin. If it rains, it will be moved to the Elementary/Middle School Auditeria. Come for a great show.
- Thank you to Jim Cooper for the purchase of an electric sign at the Hein Ampitheater. If you have announcements to go on, Please contact Anna Post at the Town Hall.

Upcoming Events:

- Tractor Pulls July 31- August 1st
- Tax Free Weekend August 7-9th

- WOW August 28-29

Laura made a motion to adjourn seconded by Laura.

Next meeting will be Tuesday, August 25th at 7:45 am.