

## Waite Park Chamber General Membership Meeting Minutes-- Oct 17, 2018

Meeting location: Marcus Theater

Host: H & S Heating and Air Conditioning

There were 84 attendees, 5 first timers, and 7 permanent name badges given out.

Chamber updates: Gail Ivers --upcoming events:

- 10/23- New member welcome in the morning and new member mixer in the afternoon @Crooked Pint.
- Sauk Rapids Chamber will be a candidate forum on 10/25
- Business After Hours at Anna Marie's Alliance on 10/25

Dist. 742 updates- Adam Holm-

- Quarry View Grand Opening 10/16
- Westwood Elementary was given a Safe Schools grant
- 10 local schools were recognized for positive behavior intervention programming
- Tech High School building on track

City of Waite Park Update – Jon Noerenberg

- St. Cloud Toyota will be moving into the Dunham's space
- WP is hiring people 10 and older for PT warming house attendants
- 10/31- 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. 3rd St Halloween Train tours and trick or treating

Host presentation: Jeremy with H & S

- Showed a video
- They are 2<sup>nd</sup> generation owners
- There are up to \$2000 in rebates through Xcel depending on furnace purchased
- New energy efficient furnaces can save you up to ½ on your heating costs

Speaker: Betsy Lund Ross – Lund Ross P.A. – “Distracted Driving – what are the practical implications? “

- Betsy handed out information
- 3 types of distracted driving- visual, manual and cognitive
- Answering a text takes about 5 seconds- it takes 5 sec to drive the length of a football field
- 40% of all vehicle accidents and injuries are work related
- When is an employer liable for an employee in an accident?
- Typically your policies are not going to protect you
- If an employee is not following the rules that does not release the employer of responsibility

Next meeting: Wed Nov 21, 2018 Host: Great River Educational Arts Theater (G.R.E.A.T.)  
710 Sundial Drive, Waite Park

Speaker: Sarah Weed- Stearns County Park and Operations Coordinator  
Topic- Winter Park Usage and Activities