



BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES | JULY 22, 2025

The third quarterly meeting of the Trenton Chamber of Commerce was called to order by President Victoria Zahn at 6:35 p.m. at the Trenton Kaskaskia College Extension Center.

Attendees:

- Victoria Zahn, President – Lu Lu’s Doo Doo Crew
- Linda Hanold, Secretary – Deien Chevrolet
- Dennis Herzig, Treasurer
- Diane Mannhard
- Linda & Tom Peppenhorst
- Steve Wallace – Community Bank of Trenton
- Paulo Guazzini – Jim’s Suits and Tuxedoes
- Mayor Dave Brandmeyer

Secretary’s Report:

A motion to approve the April 2025 minutes was made by Steve Wallace and seconded by Paulo Guazzini. Motion carried.

Treasurer’s Report:

The June financial report was approved as presented. Motion made by Steve Wallace, seconded by Diane Mannhard.

Dieterich Bank.....	\$25,234.13	General Fund
Dieterich Bank.....	\$30,221.51	CD
Scott Credit Union.....	\$2,889.93	Trenton Dollars
Scott Credit Union.....	\$2,007.45	Share Account
TOTAL	<u>\$60,353.02</u>	

Upcoming Events:

- TrentonFest Parade – August 16:**
Parade starts at 4:30. Diane Mannhard, Linda Hanold, and Victoria Zahn volunteered to participate. Deien Chevrolet will provide transportation.
- Online Auction – September 1 to 30:**
Emails will be sent the end of July with full details and donation requests. Please call or text Linda Hanold at 618.444.3031 or email LindaR@DeienChevrolet.com if you would like to donate.
- Harvest Hop – Saturday, Oct. 11, 10 to 3:**
Paulo Guazzini motioned to donate \$500 to cover the music cost, host a booth, and sell canned drinks at the event. Swag bags will be handed out again this year. Reach out to Linda Hanold at 618.444.3031 or LindaR@DeienChevrolet.com to participate.
- Business Trick-Or-Treat – Friday, Oct. 24, Broadway:**
Victoria Zahn will be reaching out to past crossing guards. More details are coming soon.

- **Power Hour – tentative date is Nov. 18**

We will be hosting a Q&A with Mayor Dave Brandmeyer. Full details coming soon.

Review of Completed Events, Victoria Zahn:

- ✓ Ribbon Cutting Ceremonies: Successful events were held for Simply Blessed and Tut's Liquor.
 - ✓ Annual BBQ: Despite a sudden downpour, the BBQ was a fun and successful event — people even waited in the rain for their food! Financial details will be shared at the next meeting.
 - ✓ Golf Scramble: A big thank you to **Linda Peppenhorst**, who went above and beyond once again to organize a successful scramble.
 - 23 teams, 33 hole sponsors, and six attendance prize donations
 - Linda emphasized the importance of the all-day volunteers and expressed sincere appreciation.
 - The event raised \$4,521.
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New Business:

A motion to move the quarterly meeting time to 6:00 p.m. was made by Linda Peppenhorst and seconded by Linda Hanold. Motion carried unanimously.

Community Updates – Mayor Dave Brandmeyer

Mayor Brandmeyer shared exciting updates and initiatives in development:

1. America 250 in Trenton – 2026 Celebration
 - a. A year-long patriotic celebration including:
 - i. Amphitheater project (potential OSLAD grant & Park Boosters funding)
 - ii. Library Project 2026 grant approval
 - iii. Downtown Beautification Project
 - iv. Red, White & Blue events throughout 2026
 - v. Celebration Day on 6/26/26, launching the Summer Concert Series
 - vi. Formation of a Funding Committee to support these efforts
 - vii. To volunteer or learn more:
 1. Email: DBrandmeyer@Trenton-IL.com
 2. City Hall: 618.224.7323
 3. Cell (text): 618.698.4957
 2. The mayor also noted several additional community projects are underway and looks forward to sharing more details soon.f
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Adjournment:

A motion to adjourn was made by Tom Peppenhorst and seconded by Diane Mannhard. Meeting adjourned at 7:37 p.m.

Next Meeting:

Tuesday, October 28, at 6:00 p.m. | Trenton Kaskaskia College Extension Center