

Spooner Area Chamber of Commerce

General Membership Meeting

Wednesday, June 3, 2026

8:00 AM | Spooner Health Classrooms A&B

Call to order: Ted Schmitz, President - Ted called the meeting to order at 8:03 am.

Introductions: Each person will introduce themselves and what business they're representing

Treasurer's Report: Mark Olson, Treasurer - Mark presented the Treasurer's Report.

Executive Board Report: Michelle Martin, Secretary - Michelle gave an overview of the board meeting that was held yesterday.

Old Business:

- Chamber Connections Events: Last month we had two Chamber Connections events (Drizzle, Jester's/Palace Theater)
 - August TBD: Chamber Connections with Wisconsin Canoe Heritage Museum
 - Open: July, September
- Text Message Communication Program - Sign up via the attendance sheet or email info@spoonerchamber.org to participate in the text reminder program.
- Spooner Semiquincentennial Update - Memorial Weekend - students did window decorating; Liberty Ball planning is happening; Passport to Spooner program is live (47 businesses participating); Not planning on doing a pig roast over 4th of July as planned.

New Business:

- Board Member Update - Congratulations to Bryanna Green for filling the open board vacancy!
- New Temporary Meeting Location - The Depot Room at the Spooner Civic Center will serve as our meeting space; next meeting will be July 8.
- Welcome New Members: Blaschko's Tavern & Patio
- Food & Wine Tasting Donation to WCAHS - \$14,500 is being donated to the humane society for their hard work on the event.

Committee Reports:

- Marketing Committee (Kelsy) - Spooner books are at the office and are being distributed by membership committee, grocery store & 5 Star Marketing; Website build is in progress; SEO project is continuing; social media is scheduled out for 6 weeks
- Membership Committee (Bryanna & Lisa B.) - First Dollar visits are being scheduled; Chamber connections sign-up form coming soon.

Upcoming Events:

- Jack's a Hack Golf Outing (June 17, 2026) - If you want to do a team, sign up via Lisa. You can sponsor and do a table or golf.
- Jack Pine Savage Days (August 7-8, 2026) - Jeff Fox gave Ted an update. Working with the same sound company that they have in the past, Wisco Kid will be performing one of the nights. Crazy Days will be happening.

- Jack O' Lantern Festival (October 9-10, 2026) - Met last month and will be meeting immediately after this meeting. Will be a Friday night and Saturday event.

Other Business:

- First Dollar Visits: If you know of any new businesses or businesses that have changed hands, please let Bryanna & Lisa know so they can schedule a First Dollar Visit. They do not need to be chamber members to qualify for a First Dollar Visit.

Member Updates:

- Spooner Health: June's WashCo Wellness Challenge is focused on having a safe summer, check it out at HealthyWashCo.org/events; Spooner Health Golf Outing is July 29; Free Health Screening Week will be held August 3-7 - more information to come!
- State Farm: November of 2025 was 20th anniversary - will be having a celebration on Tuesday, July 14 with brats, burgers, etc. from 11 to 1. Staffing changes so agents have their own specialties.
- Spooner Mercantile: July 9 and 10 will be a trunk show of Storm Creek apparel. Embroidery is an option as well.
- City of Spooner: Planning commission is partnering with NWRPC to host a listening session June 15 for creating the next 10-year plan.
- Mosaic - Show room in Cameron has ribbon cutting next Wednesday from 11-1 - there will be hot dogs. Chris is teaching internet safety for kids and adults, as well as free scam prevention.
- WCAHS - Fall vaccination clinic will be Saturday, September 26 - preregister online; updated dog yard - hoping to showcase that this fall; new meet & greet area outside; will be at the Spooner Library for Kites & Kittens in Railroad Park in July; updated coin collection jars throughout the county - hoping to reach all corners of the county that we serve.
- Lakeland - Summer newsletter is out now; parenting workshops are happening over the summer - one is a special needs focus; Beach Bash Health & Safety Fair is coming up on June 18; Rubber duck race fundraiser is coming up on August 8
- Economart - June is Dairy Month - giving away bicycles; Produce sale is coming up at the end of the month (Wed-Sat).
- Jester's - Celebrated one-year anniversary. Games are back live and the patio is open. Theater just got really cool popcorn buckets. Today and tomorrow are the last showings of The Mandalorian.

Adjourn: Mark/Michelle made a motion to adjourn at 8:48 am. MC.

2026 GENERAL MEETINGS:

January 7 – Classrooms A&B

February 4 – Classrooms A&B

March 4 – Classrooms A&B

*April 8 – Classrooms A&B (Changed due to Spring Break for Spooner)

May 6 – Classrooms A&B

June 3 – Classrooms A&B

July 8 – Depot Room at Spooner Civic Center

August 5 – Depot Room at Spooner Civic Center

September 2 – Depot Room at Spooner Civic Center

October 7 – Depot Room at Spooner Civic Center

November 4 – Depot Room at Spooner Civic Center

December 2 – Depot Room at Spooner Civic Center