

**MINUTES**  
**GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE**  
**Grand Rapids Area Chamber of Commerce**  
**May 14, 2010**

**Committee Members Present:** Mike Ives, Jake Goering, Derek Stanley, Paula Frings, Irene Koski, Frank Allen, Marla Beaty, David Scott

**Advisory members present:**

**Chamber Staff:** Bud Stone, Renee Thompson

Jake called the meeting to order.

**MINNESOTA STATE CHAMBER CONFERENCE CALL:**

The committee participated in a legislative conference call with the MN Chamber.

Updates were heard in:

- Environmental permitting.
- Labor Management – Omnibus economic bill is on the Governors desk. All the UI tax increases are removed. Hopes are that the Governor will sign the bill today or tomorrow.
- Transportation bill – there are two on the Governors desk.
- Enhanced Dr. License Bill – this bill was signed by the Governor.
- Education – at this point, it does not look like there will be a K-12 bill.
- Healthcare – Omnibus Bill vetoed by Governor.

**ACTION:** No further action necessary.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Paula made a motion to approve the May 7, 2010 meeting minutes. Irene Koski seconded the motion. Motion carried. Minutes approved

**ACTION:** No further action necessary.

**MEMBER UPDATES**

Irene gave an update on the Living Word Bible Camp.

Frank encouraged citizens to get involved with the updating of the Comprehensive Plan.

Bud invited the committee to attend the June 7<sup>th</sup> Chamber luncheon. Representative Solberg and Representative Anzelc will be giving a legislative overview.

**ACTION:** No further action necessary.

The next scheduled meeting is on May 28, 2010 at 7:30 a.m.

Frank made a motion to adjourn. Derek seconded the motion. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.

Submitted by Renee Thompson, Administrative Assistant.

Meeting adjourned.