

CRBA General Membership Meeting of March 2, 2009

The meeting was called to order by EO Kristie Hiivela. The meeting was sponsored by RDV Companies. Ryan Vos the owner gave a brief history of the evolution of his company and its services offered, and the naming of such, along with presenting informational packets for those in attendance.

There were 20 members present including three new members and two visitor members present. The new members received into membership were Steve Coyle, Brad Johnson, and Kurt Nelson.

Guests included Dale Engelmann, and Juli Neubarth.

Guest speakers were Monty Mraz the 2009 BAM President, and Todd Bjerstad.

Monty spoke of the advantages of a CRBA membership which includes BAM and NHBA membership. What the revenue's of our memberships use is, primarily lobbying and monitoring regulatory actions at the state level. His goals for the year with regard to CRBA's individual needs from BAM, and what he needs from us in return to help him identify why we are members, and what he can do to facilitate our needs being addressed.

Todd presented visual statistics / graphs with regard to a variety of tangibles and the relationship to the predicted trends of housing needs and desires for the future five to ten years. He also discussed the current housing / banking- mortgage status of crisis, the history of previous cyclic economic events and compared likenesses and differences to the present one.

A brief TOH update was presented and the Glencoe Expo update was presented. The members were reminded that we are collecting for the McLeod County Food shelf tonight; Lynn S. added that for the month of March The MN Foodshare matches all donations.

The monthly jackpot drawing was held. Lynn Wacker of Ag Star from Glencoe was drawn, and present. She won \$125.00. \$100.00 will be added to begin the next jackpot in April.

Respectfully Submitted.
Lynn Schauer, Sec.