

NCBCA Minutes

April 1, 2026

Black Cat

Call to order – Meeting was called to order at **1:10** by President Craig Langhofer

Attendees: Jackie Widelski, Roanna Hooton, Mindie Colanese, Craig Langhofer, Joyce Forbes, Kim Vaundry, Doug Vaundry, Kate Leiter, Sam Colalillo, Michelle Genslinger, Peg Adams, Mindie Colanese, Tim Shlimpert, Josh , Carl Brown-Grimm, Sue Nowicki, Lisa

Minutes from March – Motion by Joyce, Second by Kate

Treasurers Report – Mindie Colanese: Motion by Kim, Second by Joyce

Noted Announcements:

- Town of New Carlisle
 - Upgrade electric in alleyways soon
 - Landscaping at pickleball courts
 - INDOT agreed to pay for brinks in crosswalks
- Hamilton grove
 - Maple Syrup Sale
 - Puzzle Club
 - CE Classes every other month
- AWS
 - Hiring event
- Discover New Carlisle
 - Memorial Day Run
 - Need Sponsors by May 9

- Beer and Wine Walk on August 29
- MCR
 - Deer Borne, IL
- American Legion
 - 200 girls for Girls State
 - 100 Boys for Boys State
- NCPL
 - Daffodil Sale
 - Scavenger Hunt
- Hometown Days
 - Volunteers needed
- Work One
 - Nonprofit for job seekers and employers
 - Funded by tax dollars
 - 7 NWI counties
 - Kathy Jimenez is Manager of the La Porte Center
 - Leans on Workplace Development 8-15 week as opposed to 4 year college program
 - 75,000-95,000 jobs unfilled every year in the 7 counties
 - Michigan City Community Hub 8-15 week Program
 - Job Training examples
 - Logistics
 - Transportation
 - Tech

- Manufacturing
- Health care
- Ready NWI
 - Employer and education group to get kids ready for the workforce
 - Gives youth exposure to the employers
- Work Experience
 - Get instruction part of the week
 - Work part of the week
 - Earn money while learning job skills
- Each region has different resources but have similar services
- NOT appointment only
- Trying to make friendlier environment for people looking for jobs
- Requires time investment on behalf of the employee

Next Meeting: New Carlisle Fire Department 8 AM

Adjourn – 2:06