The mission of the Long Prairie Area Chamber of Commerce is to promote, educate & support a vital business community while enhancing and nurturing the livability and community connectedness of the area

### **MINUTES**

# **Long Prairie Area Chamber of Commerce**

# Annual Chamber Banquet Meeting 4:30 pm at Thunder Lodge

<u>Current Executive Board Members</u>: President- Kelly Peterson VP- Denita Wisniewski, Secretary- Clara Vancura, Treasurer- Ted Gray

<u>Board Members</u>: John Howard, Todd Ecker, Dave Determan, Peg Churchwell, Andy Otremba, Teresa Sorenson and Clara Vancura

Others in attendance: Todd County Commissioner -Rod Erikson & Ron Richter

- 1- Call to Order/Roll Call
- **2- Approval of agenda/additions/deletions**: motion made for approval of agenda by Andy Otremba, second by Denita W. motion carried
- **3- Approval of Minutes, Financial Report**: motion made to postpone approval of Minutes till March: by Andy O., second by Peg C. motion carried
  - motion made for approval of the Financial Report and the 2018 Budget by Teresa Sorenson, second by Andy O. motion carried
- 4- Introduction of new Community/Chamber Members: Lady Dog Design, Central Taxi LLC,

Possible members: Dragon Willow Winery in April and Natural Alternative (?)

Suggestions:

- 5- Tourism Report— about 20 brochures sent per week
- 6- EDA Report—Government Report- City, County, School
- 7- Presentations —
- 8- Director's Report-

Facebook- November/December LIKES 1283= 11 since last meeting, please ask a friend to like our page Featuring our Own- BLEND: Better Living Exercise Nutrition Daily— NEXT: Senior Center, Chamber Bucks Publicity/Advertising-

#### 9- Old Business

- a. By- laws and Strategic planning: 1<sup>st</sup> meeting January 24, 2018 Article 1-IV revised NEXT meeting ?? Feb 13 for lunch-**TBD**
- PRAIRIE DAYS Committee meeting on Tuesday February 20, 2018?? @ 4:30
  Suggestions for guests
  - Car Show, Inflatables, Sound for the Talent Show set... Water show, library activity, soccer game etc still to plan
- c. Membership renewal letters- \$25,000 received

- d. Good Morning Breakfast- report, Next April 19, 2018 and July 19, 2018- GRRL
- e. CTC is our new internet provider.
- f. 501c3- Foundation- update Clara, cost? March Meeting more

#### 10- New Business

a. Job Fair & costs- March 2, 2018 9am-5pm @ 1st Baptist Church

Publicity \$766.00 hoping to get this paid for by LSC

Food: Smoke N Motion – Todd County Dev. Office will donate \$250.00 for the vendors' meals

Facility: \$100.00

11- Adjourn : motion made to adjourn approval by Teresa S., second by Peg C. motion carried

Our Core Values : Promotion of Chamber Businesses, Leadership Development, Proactive Community Leadership, Information Hub