#### Long Prairie Area Chamber of Commerce Meeting Minutes

# February 26, 2020, 4:30 pm at City Hall

<u>Current Executive Board Members</u>: President- Clara Vancura VP- Denita Wisniewski, Secretary- Misty Lemke, Treasurer-Ashley Behagg

Board Members: Todd Ecker, Dave Determan, Teresa Sorenson, Stephenie Och

Others in Attendance: Rick Utech, Verna Toenyan, Randy Massicotte, Jennifer Massicotte, Lu Brunkhorst

#### **ANNUAL MEETING**

1- Call to Order/Roll Call 18:00

M: Ashley, S: Stephanie

2- Approval of agenda/additions/deletions

M: Teresa S: Denita

3- Approval of Minutes, addition, Financial Report

M: Ashley S: Clara

4- Introduction of new Community/Chamber Members:

Brickhouse Farm, Hilltop Regional Kitchen & EFR- Mn

5- Presentations: Rick Utech, Todd County EDA April 6, 6:00 doors open

### 6- Director's Report-

Facebook- Jan/Feb 2037 = 35 since last meeting, please ask a friend to like our page

Webpage- about 20,000 page views in 2019 and about 10,000 unique page views - average of 1700 page views per month and 850 unique visits per month

#### 7- Old Business

- a. Long Prairie Apparel thru Benning Printing Endless Ink
- b. Good Morning Breakfast- report on the last GMB @ Peace United hosted by Clotho United Methodist Church. Good participation and presentation.
  - NEXT- CentraCare Meadow Place Assisted Living (see attached flyer)
- c. Child Care Solutions grant update- LSC Communications building, Little Red Wagon daycare (potential). Provide extended daycare hours. Children's First Finance would be working on design of space. Working on living wage, potential investments from area companies. \$500 remaining from grant.
- d. Welcoming Communities grant- IDI evaluation February 7<sup>th</sup> meeting.
- e. Mid-winter party 2/26/2020

Great turnout. Great information.

- f. Upcoming events
  - Concert in the Park 5 Wings Art Council asked some questions about the grant, hopeful, date of determination to be determined.

Total cost estimated at \$7500. Would need to raise \$2500 to cover the difference from grant to cost.

- Prairie Days May 29 31
- g. Prairie Days
  - committee meeting date to be determined... to organize and fundraise- NEW fundraising ideas level discussion, specific sponsorship
  - last year's lessons
- h. EDA/Chamber position & assistant discussion
  - Proposed Contract 2020

- Details extra meeting, meeting with director, revisiting the proposal
- Special meeting with the EDA
- Postponing the EDA meeting due to lack of quorum
- Next steps

(David Determan and Denita Wisniewski left meeting, no longer have quorum)

# 8- New Business

a. Minnesota National Bank statement discussion – tabled

# **9- Adjourn** 18:45

Respectfully Submitted 2/26/2020

Misty Lemke, Secretary

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