

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.

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

## **AGENDA**

### **Long Prairie Area Chamber of Commerce**

**CHAMBER BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING May 8, 2018 4:30 pm at City Hall**

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

Board Members: John Howard, Todd Ecker, Dave Determan, Peg Churchwell, Andy Otremba, Teresa Sorenson (highlighted members indicate present attendance)

Chamber Director: Luan Thomas-Brunkhorst

**1- Call to Order/Roll Call** – Meeting called to order at 4:41PM

**2- Approval of agenda/additions/deletions** – motion made by Dave D., second by Denita W., motion carried

**3- Approval of Minutes, Financial Report** – Minutes approval motion made by Peg C., second by Dave D., motion carried. Financial report approval motion made by Clara V., second by Denita W, motion carried.

**4- Introduction of new Community/Chamber Members**: Natural Alternatives

Possible members: Main Street Title

Suggestions: New Browerville Boutique “Sprinkle of Joy”

**5- Tourism Report**— none

**6- EDA Report—Government Report**- City, County, School – none

**7- Presentations**— none

**8- Director’s Report**-

Facebook- November/December LIKES 1318= 15 since last meeting, please ask a friend to like our page

Featuring our Own- NOT Health and Human Services, Chamber Bucks, Mi Pueblito

Publicity/Advertising-

**9- Old Business**

- a. By- laws and Strategic planning -
  - a. Strategic Planning: will be setting up a meeting to discuss the ongoing plan
  - b. Approval of By-Laws will be sent out of via email to review and vote on.

- i. By-Laws were voted on: motion made by David D., second by Kelly P.; voted on by 7 board members all that stated yes with 0 votes to no. motion carried
- b. PRAIRIE DAYS - Donations coming in – \$2,800
  - Waiting for call backs: MN Power, Packing Plant, Central, American Legion, Lions
  - Have to contact: Advantage 1, State Farm, Hillig, William DingmanWebsite updated to include registration- Volunteers??
  - Currently applying for Blandin Grant to help cover costs for community exhibits
  - Chalk artist is scheduled to come
- c. Membership renewal – in the process of taking names off the list
- d. Good Morning Breakfast-
  - a. Next: July 19, 2018- Knute Nelson at the Senior Center
  - b. Previous April 19, 2018 at Dragon Willow Winery with 20 people in attendance
- e. 501c3- Foundation- will start after Prairie Days
- f. ALC - career presentations
- g. Pots on Main
  - a. Will be planting May 17 or 18<sup>th</sup> and placed on Main Street by City Works
- h. Bridges Academy
  - a. Chamber was paid for assembling
- i. Update signers for MN National Bank if not already changed; Remove Tammy Barber, Warren Weber and Raeann Waytashek, Add Andy Otreмба and Kelly Samuelson. Motion made by Peg C., second by Denita W., motion carried

#### **10- New Business**

- A. Idea to have a Chamber Benefits poster to place in office
- B. Chamber Banner to use at sponsored chamber events

#### **11- Adjourn** -- Meeting adjourned at 5:28PM