

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.

Long Prairie Area Chamber of Commerce

CHAMBER BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING, March 8, 2016 4:30 pm City Hall

Current Board Members: President- Tamie Barber, VP- RaeAnn Waytashek, Secretary- TBD, Treasurer- Ted Gray, Todd Ecker, Dave Determan, Denita Wisniewski, Peg Churchwell, Henry Rodriguez, Kelly Peterson and Clara Vancura

1- Call to Order/Roll Call

2- Approval of agenda/additions/deletions

3- Approval of Minutes & Financial Report- requires a motion

4- Introduction of new Community/Chamber Members: Handy Hanson, owner Dale Hanson, Twardowski Escavating

Possible members: St Mary's Christian Women, Petron's Potato, LP Drive-IN

(Minnesota Fresh- new vegetable processing plant in town, Chandler)

Suggestions:

5- Tourism Report—

6- EDA Report—Government Report- City, County, School

7- Presentations—

8- Director's Report-

Facebook- March 693 LIKES= increase of 10 since last meeting, ask a friend to like our page

Website visits- Page View –Week 1656 (Featuring our Own- Camphill & Food Pantry, next Features will be Taqueria Chavez and the Services Clubs in town.

Publicity/Advertising- Rodeo Advertising in exchange for promotion- Banner advertising. We need a banner- Perimission?

9- Old Business

- a. NEXT Luncheon: Melissa Kolstad - Basics of Social Media on Tuesday April 5th at 11:45
Location TBD
- b. Congratulations to Kelly Peterson and Clara Vancura- New Chamber board members
- c. We need a new Secretary and check signee.
- d. Community Gardens- City has taken on the responsibility of the Community Gardens

- e. Career Fair- still need more participation (hand out of participants)
- f. Prairie Days- Brenda, Melissa Kolstad and Chamber Director met after the Annual Banquet

Question: Should the Chamber of Commerce be involved in organizing the Prairie Days festivities? Does it line up with our mission? Cost? Search for Sponsors?

10- New Business

- a. Director's Summer Vacation

11- Adjourn

Our Core Values :

- Promotion of Chamber Businesses
- Leadership Development
- Proactive Community Leadership
- Information Hub