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Long Prairie Area Chamber of Commerce  
Board of Directors Meeting  
**Date April 8, 2014**  
4:30 pm City Hall

Present – Tamie Barber      Devin Hines      Ryan Jacobsen      ReaAnn Waytashek  
   Denita Wisniewski      Narin Nauber      Dr. Mike Denery      Ted Gray  
   David Determan      Warren Weber  
Absent/Unexcused RoseAnn Marx      John Lindeman      Nicole Bjerke  
   Jason Sellnow, Christy Davis

- 1- **Call to Order/Roll Call – Called to order by President Tamie Barber**
- 2- **Approval of agenda/additions/deletions?**
- 3- **Approval of Minutes & Financial Report – requires a motion - *Minutes approved by Denery, second by Waytashek –Financial Report motion by Jacobsen, second by Determan***
- 4- **Introduction of new Community/Chamber Members** =Charter Communications, Prairie Fire Nutrition, Clotho United Methodist Church **Note:** Lady Dog Design... Peg Churchwell has taken a full time job with Spectrum Printing and will no longer be doing the Lady Dog Design business.
- 5- **Tourism Report=** brochures sent out or delivered=227
- 6- **Phone Log=** 24 that were written in the log. Still trying to get into the habit of writing them down when calls made.
- 7- **EDA Report—Lyle Request for Community Garden Funds reimbursement once Burkett pays Chamber back - \$1450 + 1028.63 total = \$2478.63 for reimbursement. (63 of 108 plots rented so far)**
- 8- **Government Reports**
  - a. City
  - b. County
  - c. School
- 9- **Presentations—Kathi Schaff from Grow MN!**
- 10- **Director's Report**
  - Burkett pled guilty in case you did not know. Reimbursement to be made to the Chamber prior to sentencing hearing. **May 16<sup>th</sup> 9:00**
  - Good Morning Long Prairie will be at the Long Prairie Country Club at 7 a.m. on April 16. Chance to win \$20 in Chamber Bucks. Invitations have been sent.
  - I need to make sure I have working e-mail addresses for all members who have them.
  - Updated the community calendar. If you have events or know of events, please let me know so I can add them to the calendar in a timely fashion.
  - Update from LP Revitalization and Beautification Committee
  - In contact with MN CEP and M State on bringing a mobile welding lab to Long Prairie for training – **Building in Wadena's program.**
  - Continuing to work on updated brochure
- 11- **Old Business**
  - a. Goals/plans and committees (resent this month) Please review and be prepared to vote in April
  - b. Settlement amount with the city for past mailings. Invoice was sent with letter of explanation. **City has \$19000 in tourism acct. Owe Chamber for sending out brochures.**
- 12- **New Business**
  - a. Approve the bylaws with changes. **Motion – Waytashek, Second Wisniewski**

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- b. Grow Minnesota! Annual Partnership Meeting on April 22 at Bernicks in St. Cloud. Need approval to attend and mileage. **Motion – Determan, second Denery**
- c. 21<sup>st</sup> Century Community Learning Center Work-Based Learning Program through LP-GE School – **Grant for 10-20 hrs week.**
- d. Leader changes to the resorts (letter) 2013 75 papers
- e. CentraCare Golf Scramble...hole sponsorship \$250 (2) college scholarships **Motion – Waytashek, second Gray- Ted also stated he would donate car to Chamber is he won at golf scramble.**
- f. Car magnets, put on my vehicle, yes or no?

There was discussion on improving the sign on Hwy 71. \$12,000 to \$15,000 for an electronic sign. More to come.

**13- Adjourn – Motion Denery, second Waytashek**

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