

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

Board of Directors Meeting, October 13, 2015 4:30 pm City Hall

Current Board Members: President- Tamie Barber, VP- RaeAnn Waytashek, Secretary- Warren Weber, Treasurer- Ted Gray, Todd Ecker, Devin Hines, Ryan Jacobson, David Determan, Denita Wisniewski, Peg Churchwell, Marissa Twardowski

1- Call to Order/Roll Call: Present- Tamie Barber, RaeAnn Waytashek, Ted Gray, Todd Ecker, Ryan Jacobson, Peg Churchwell, Marissa Twardowski Absent: Warren Weber, Devin Hines, Denita Wisniewski, David Determan

2- Approval of agenda/additions/deletions: Motion to approved as presented by RaeAnn Waytashek, second by Ryan Jacobson, motion carried

3- Approval of Minutes & Financial Report – requires a motion: Motion to approve by Ryan Jacobson, second by RaeAnn Waytashek, motion carried

4- Introduction of new Community/Chamber Members – Rainbow Rider, Snap Fitness, Crafts by Shirley Hallek & Denita Winiewski, Young Living Oils - Amy Westerberg & Alissa Pesta, Jamerry Nails - Jaime Meyer Tastefully Simple- Candace Perish, Pink Zebra- Kathleen Nauber

- BOB Radio fell through due to the fact that Jim Larson no longer is employed with the radio station.
- QUESTION: Todd County offices- Rick Utech and Jackie Och asked about membership What is our policy? ** We will review bylaws for government offices and school

5- Tourism Report—400 plus Tourism brochure requests (June-October)

6- EDA Report—Government Report- City, County, School ***no one present

7- Presentations— Mr. John Kringen will be speaking about Operating Levy Facts. On Nov. 3rd, our local school district will be asking voters to approve an increase in the operating levy to provide just under \$200,000 in new revenue. ** see attached proposal

8- Director's Report-

Facebook- February 309- October 601 LIKES- ask a friend to like your page

Visitations/New Hours: 10 visits (Wednesdays)

The LPACC director position is developing.

Homecoming- Float prizes

Halloween- business participation

Bright Light Parade – float participation and ideas

Publicity/Advertising- Bright Light Parade Registration and Parade flyer

** Should the Chamber take over any of these events.....we will review these after the 1st year of Lu in the director's position and have her give us her feedback on which she believes would promote our business as indicated in our mission statement.

9- Old Business

- a. Accounting : Phillip Gould CMA - help with the Chamber's bookkeeping – \$69.84 Reconciliation, Payroll, Taxes
*CLEAN UP costs estimated cost \$500.00- bartering this year's 2015 and next year's 2016 membership to the Chamber total coming to \$215. The cost of his services will be approximately \$285 extra (start up fee/clean up) **Motion to approve payment to Mr. Gould made by Ted Gray, second by RaeAnn Waytashek, motion carried.
* Mr. Gould suggest upgrading to the \$25.00 a month Quick Books version because it has more report capabilities. ** Wil review at November meeting
- b. Hillig auction update/Next auction April 9th
- c. Learning Luncheon - Sept 17th summary

10- New Business

- a. Learning Luncheon - October 29th Business Transition Planning (see attachment in email)
- b. Breakfast- CentraCare introducing the NEW doctor ** Coming in December
- c. Survey Monkey Costs- Split with City, EDA and Chamber? \$300.00 **Motion to approve by Peg Churchwell, second by RaeAnn Waytashek, motion carried.
- d. Late Chamber Meeting times- 6:30pm ...possibility? **Will look at conducting several evening meetings throughout the year with one possibly in December.

11- Adjourn Motion to adjourn at 5:40 pm by Ryan Jacobson, second by Ted Gray, motion carried

Our Core Values :

-Promotion of Chamber Businesses

-Leadership Development

-Proactive Community Leadership

-Information Hub

**** Meeting notes**