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.

Meeting : Long Prairie Area Chamber of Commerce

Treasurer- Denita Wisniewski

<u>Board Members in Attendance</u>: Josiah Tonder (attendance after approval of Minutes), Jeremiah Zahnow, Clara Vancura, Denita Wisniewski (attendance at discussion of new board members)

Wednesday, January 26, 2021 03:30 PM

MEETING

1-Call to Order/Roll Call: 3:40PM

2- Approval of agenda: Clara made motion to approve agenda, Jeremiah seconded, motion carried (Denita and Josiah not present)

3- Approval of Minutes: December Minutes reviewed, Clara made motion to approve minutes, Jeremiah seconded, motion carried (Denita and Josiah not present)

November minutes that were tabled from last meeting - not available

4- Financial Report: December financials reviewed, Denita makes motion to approve December Financials, Josiah seconded, motion carried (Jeremiah not present)

Total profit for Arts and Crafts show: \$4,900

5- Budget: Denita made motion to accept the budget as written, seconded by Josiah, motion carried (Jeremiah not present)

5- Introduction of new Community/Chamber Members:

Rhode's Midway Bar and Grill, Iten Funeral Home

7- Director's Report-

Facebook- December/January people like this 2,839people like this = 49 since last meeting, please ask a friend to like our page

-A lot of interest in the outdoor ice rink and local jobs

Webpage- Featuring our Own- WAVE article coming - will be meeting today Duane Breiter – just posted today (LongPrairie.net)

8- Old Business

- a. Good Morning Breakfast- January 2022- cancelled
 - a. Looking for the rest of the year
 - b. Emails have been sent out to ask businesses who have not hosted yet if they would like to host
 - c. Unclear with COVID what the future holds as far as being in person or not
- b. Welcome Center report
 - a. Have presented in the community; radio, interview, city council
 - b. On Tuesday's the Latino Economic Development Center is in the office
 - c. On Thursday's there are two interpreters available

- d. Looking for sustaining grants and business partnerships
- c. New board members
 - a. Lu sent out advertisement with little response
 - b. Please ask individuals or businesses if there is a representative in their office who could participate on the board (Camp S'more, Boss Nails, Hailey & Rae)

9- New Business

- a. Voting for board members:
 - a. President: Josiah T.
 - b. VP: Jeremiah Z.
 - c. Secretary: Clara V.
 - d. Treasurer: Denita W.
 - e. Board: Dave, Andy, Todd
 - f. Clara makes motion to for Board Members and Executive Members as stated above, Denita seconded, motion carried
- b. Chamber 2021 accomplishments- Reviewed
 - a. 29 New Members
- c. February Annual meeting
 - a. Held at RLC
 - b. Encouraging masking
 - c. Light refreshments will be provided
 - d. February 24th, Thursday, regular meeting at 3:30PM, annual meeting at 4:30PM
- d. Discussion about 2021 goals & Chamber board members responsibilities
- e. Outdoor Rink
 - a. Many donations coming in from community members and businesses
 - b. Currently looking for volunteers to be in the "warming house" for supervision.

Adjourn 5:00PM

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