

Minutes of LPEDA April 20, 2022 Meeting

1. Meeting was called to order by Chair Terri Jo Peery at 4:30 PM.
2. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
3. Roll call was taken with the following present: Terri Jo P., Mary S., Bob K., Dallas N. Absent: David Wright. Lu B. was also in attendance.
4. Minutes of the March 2022 meeting were approved on a motion by Bob, second by Mary.
5. Financial report was presented with a balance of \$66,910. Motion by Dallas, second by Bob and approval by roll call vote.
6. In Old Business, motion was made and approved to appoint Bob as Vice Chair. Diego and several others have declined invitation to join Board. Mary will contact one potential new member for board before next meeting. Update on Child Care Center was shared by Lu in absence of Rick. We will likely go with Little Red Wagon after receiving grant from Initiative Foundation to move forward. CCH is also on board to offer financial assistance.
7. Update on Downtown Building. There is a meeting scheduled for April 25 at 5:15 PM for public information on the Hometown Furniture plans. There has been a change to 3 second floor and 2 main floor apartments and 3 retail spaces on main floor. There has been no word on the DEED Grant.
8. Family Dollar/Dollar Tree may purchase the Prairie Foods Building. They have 60 days to finalize plans.
9. Motion by Mary and second by Dallas to approve revised By-Laws. Approved.
10. The Good Morning Breakfast went well with app. 20 people in attendance. The April event will be on Thursday, April 28 at 7:30 AM at the Hart Building with an all day Open House to follow for the public.
11. With time available, we went on to discuss goals and accomplishments. The list of available buildings is current. The Main Street DEED Grant is delayed for approval. The LP Welcome signs are progressing, 2 have been repainted with the two on north and south 71 not yet completed. There was some discussion about the large number of houses, especially rental units, that need refurbishing. Many belong to the same owner.
12. Next LPEDA meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 18, 2022 at 4:30 PM
13. Meeting was adjourned at 5:30 PM

Minutes submitted by Mary Schmidt, Secretary