



Our mission is to attract, retain, and grow business and jobs in the Long Prairie Area.

Agenda

LPEDA Meeting Agenda: 4:30 PM, April 21, 2021

Telemeeting Info:

Phone #: 1-320-639-0030

Participant #: 990092

@ City Hall

Current Executive Board Members: President– Lauren Hebert, VP– Terri Jo Peery, Secretary– Mary Schmidt

Board Members: Dallas Nelson, David Wright, Bob Klick

1. **Call to Order**
2. **Pledge of Allegiance**
3. **Roll Call**
4. **Review/Approve Meeting Minutes of March 2021**
5. **Financial Report - balance**
6. **Old business**
 - a. Report on City/EDA website- Golden Shovel (Luan)- EDA feature
 - b. LPEDA by-laws – See attached copy
 - c. Discussion about last month's EDA presentations: Staples & Wadena
 - Strategic plans/planning (Staples- see attachments)
 - Grant programs
 - Taxing/levies (Wadena- see attachment)
 - Projects
 - TCDC ideas- Rick Utech
7. **New business**
 - a. New contract for Luan Thomas-Brunkhorst with the Chamber of Commerce (see attachment)
 - b. Donation to Dollars for Scholars \$250.00 and the LPACC contributes \$250.00
8. **Next meeting Date and Time May 19 4:30 (3rd Wed.)**
9. **Other**
10. **Adjourn**

2020 LPEDA Goals accomplished

- ✓ City/EDA website with Golden Shovel- launched in July 2020.
- ✓ Initiative Foundation Child Care Solutions grant matching funds & disbursement of \$11,500 end of July.

2021 LPEDA Goals accomplished

- ✓ Revise by-laws, establish mission and stabilize group membership.
- ✓ Advertised for the Southwest Industrial park and an article was written about it
 - IQ magazine ad
 - Golden Shovel article- SOUTHWEST INDUSTRIAL PARK PATIENTLY AWAITS SUITORS:
<https://www.longprairie.net/news/p/item/33419/southwest-industrial-park-patiently-awaits-suitors>
www.longprairie.org
 - Chamber & FB page shared article
- ✓ Creating a comprehensive list of available buildings/business real estate - posting it on LOIS

2021 LPEDA Goals for the LPEDA - Future Goals, projects and Ideas

- ✓ ONGOING- Promote & Advertise for the Southwest Industrial park on Chamber FB page and other sources
- ✓ ONGOING- Continue keeping comprehensive list of available buildings/business real estate - posting it on LOIS
- ✓ ONGOING- Initiative Foundation Child Care Solutions grant allocation and continuing to partner with various businesses in finding solutions to Day Care issues.
 - Projects for LPEDA:
 - Welcome signs, seasonal décor- see page 3-10 on Long Prairie Projects Powerpoint
 - Downtown Vision Plan and short-term priorities that can be accomplished with little effort
 - New businesses and housing options in town
 - Continue with supporting Child Care solutions locally- NEW \$10,000 grant
 - Bike trail – Lu shared google drive document folder – see link below
<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1q5iFNsAsCyxYu670IP8OSWTyBwDMclqW?usp=sharing>
 - Safe Routes to Schools- Safer streets- see email attachment
 - Vitality of community, good schools, parks and recreation and opportunities for spouse. Click on link for project possibilities:
https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1xOrrbQdIPUSmyK2uybrLpsjFrds_k9vtVRVhUSgBobY/edit?usp=sharing
 - Comprehensive Plan updates
 - Hiring a FT EDA director. May not be an option for 5 years due to debts that must be paid off.