



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

## Agenda

**LPEDA Meeting Agenda: 4:30 PM, February 17, 2020**

**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 January 20, 2020**
5. **Financial Report, expenses (Lauren will get from City Administrator)**
6. **Old business**
  - a. Review: TCDC report on NEW state grants for small businesses and non-profits (Rick)
  - b. Report on City/EDA website- Golden Shovel (Luan)
    - i. Feature articles:  
February - Industrial Park history and promotion
  - c. Promote & Advertise for the Southwest Industrial park
    - i. Advertising with Initiative Foundation: 1 edition  
  
Spring issue will come out in April  
**New Offer: - \$500.00 and \$175.00 for design – total= 675**  
  
Sponsored by: American Heritage, Mid-Central and MN National
    - ii. Jodi Dixon will speak about the Southwest Industrial Park & Central Ave
  - d. Update on LPEDA by-laws additions, changes etc.- meeting with Ted  
Copies of the by-laws will be sent out when available. They will need to be approved by City Council.
  - e. Open discussion items: Other suggestions?
    - Further discussion of the EDA Mission Statement
    - Projects for LPEDA:
      - Promote & Advertise for the Southwest Industrial park

- LOIS- See listing of available buildings.
- LOIS- See listing of available sites
- Welcome signs, seasonal décor- see page 3-10 on Long Prairie Projects Powerpoint
- 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](https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1xOrrbQdIPUSmyK2uybrLpsjFrds_k9vtVRVhUSgBoby/edit?usp=sharing)
- Hiring a FT EDA director. May not be an option for 5 years due to debts that must be paid off.

**7. Next meeting Date and Time March 17 4:30 (3<sup>rd</sup> Wed.)**

**8. Other**

**9. Adjourn**

#### **2020 LPEDA Goals accomplished**

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

#### **2020 Goals for the LPEDA**

- Revise by-laws, establish mission and stabilize group membership.
- Develop goals and ideas moving forward. STARTED

#### **REVISIONS NECESSARY Future Goals, projects and Ideas**

- Downtown Vision Plan and short-term priorities that can be accomplished with little effort
- Holiday lights on HWY 71 (2nd phase).
- Lights Downtown (in planning).
- Safe routes to school discussion (287 crossing, lights– safety).
- Brainstorm on how to contact and attracting businesses.
- Hotel possibilities
- Creating a comprehensive list of available buildings/business real estate - posting it on LOIS

- Comprehensive Plan updates- meeting to be planned for April, February & March did not fit into the schedule