



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

Minutes

Minutes of March 17, 2021 LPEDA Meeting

1. Meeting was called to order by Pres. Lauren H. at 4:35 PM.
2. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
3. Roll Call was taken with the following present: Lauren H., Terri Jo P., Bob K., Dave W., Dallas N. N., and Mary S. joined the meeting at 4:50 PM. Lu B. was in attendance and guests included: Rick Utech from TCDC, Melissa Wyman from Staples EDA and Dean Uselman from Wadena EDA.
4. Minutes of the February 2021 meeting were reviewed and motion by Terri Jo, second by Dave W., minutes were approved on a voice vote.
5. Financial report was shared. Balance of \$82,892.55 with two checks written to LP Chamber and one to TCDC.
6. In Old Business, Rick updated that the TCDC Grant has processed 36 business applications receiving app. \$480,000 in the last round. Total CARES for Todd County is nearly \$1.8 million utilized in grants. In the future Rick will break down amounts and explain how LP area and businesses were affected. Lu reported on the City/EDA Golden Shovel website and changes that have been made. This month features the Southwest Industrial Park and next month the members of EDA from LP. The articles will be shared with the LP Leader to be published in the future. Also noted that the EDA By-Laws were approved by the LP City Council at their last meeting.
7. New Business started with the short introduction of EDA members present and a brief EDA story. At that point Melissa proceeded with her story of the Staples EDA and her role at EDA Director. Dean then shared an update on the Wadena EDA and projects that have or are working on.
8. Following very interesting sharing from both Melissa and Dean and some questions from the local group, the meeting was adjourned at 6:00 PM.
9. Next meeting will be on Wednesday, April 21 at 4:30 PM

Submitted by Mary Schmidt, Secretary with assistance of Bob Klick (thank you)

