



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

Agenda

LPEDA Meeting Agenda: 4:30 PM, March 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 February 2021**
- 5. Financial Report - balance**
- 6. Old business**
 - a. End report: TCDC report on state grants for small businesses and non-profits (Rick)
 - b. Report on City/EDA website- Golden Shovel (Luan)- NEXT article- EDA feature
 - c. LPEDA by-laws - They are approved by City Council.
- 7. New business**
 - a. Guests: Melissa Wyman (Rademacher), Staples EDA director and Dean Uselman, Wadena EDA director
 - EDA mission expectations of EDA commissioners?
 - Past and current projects & financing tips/advice
 - What are your Information sources and grant sources?
 - b. Rick Utech: What has been done in the past and how do we move forward?
- 8. Next meeting Date and Time April 22 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 Goals for the LPEDA - Future Goals, projects and Ideas

- ✓ Revise by-laws, establish mission and stabilize group membership.
 - ✓ Creating a comprehensive list of available buildings/business real estate - posting it on LOIS
 - ✓ Promote & Advertise for the Southwest Industrial park- **in progress**.
 - 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
- Develop goals and ideas moving forward. See below
 - Downtown Vision Plan and short-term priorities that can be accomplished with little effort
 - Comprehensive Plan updates- meeting to be planned for April, February & March did not fit into the schedule

- Projects for LPEDA:

- 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/1q5iFNsAsCyxYu670IP8OSWTyBwDMclgw?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
- Hiring a FT EDA director. May not be an option for 5 years due to debts that must be paid off.