

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

## **Minutes**

## Special Meeting Minutes- October 6, 2021

Prairie Foods Bldg discussion

Specs: 1.8 acres, about 24,600 sq ft (18,000 and 6,000?)

- Community Center
- Teen Rec Center (Boys & Girls club)- assist with Thrift shop?

Sports area (all purpose gym)

Ping pong, billards, fussball

Music studio/videography/computers

Event area

- Child Care Center ¼- LP Packing and other businesses in town need child care for extended hours. Rick Utech is working with the City, Packing plant and the EDA. There is a DEED grant for up to \$300,000 for expansion of Day Care. First Children's Finance will prepare design and help with fundraising.
- Retail: Furniture & small appliances, clothing, fabric/quilt shop (Wadena closing)
- Art Bar space rentable

Next steps:

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Pick focus- retail or community based

Contact Little Shoppes and Boys & Girls club in Little Falls, the Art Bar and Geyerman in Sauk, and Quilt shop in Wadena

Ask questions about profitability etc.

Get floor plan