

Minutes of August 20, 2025 meeting of LPEDA

1. Meeting was called to order by Chair Terri Jo Peery at 4:31 PM.
2. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
3. Roll Call taken with all members present. Lu was also in attendance. Rick U. joined us for the meeting and explained his presence and that he expects to be here for several months.
4. After review of minutes of the May 2025 meeting, on a motion by Dallas and second by Dustin, the minutes were approved.
5. The LPEDA account balance is reported at \$33,604.48
6. In Old Business, slides were shared of the 28 downtown projects. Rafael is to remodeling the furniture store but needs a permit to proceed and also a meter from MP & L. Luis at the Opera House has permit for a laundromat. Other updates include Child Care: there is a meeting scheduled for next week with Business of ChildCare. We need to raise \$50,000. Regarding the Small Cities grant: meeting scheduled for 8/26 to prepare grant. We will go through the city rather than TCDC. We need \$2,000 for the preliminary and will be asking the city for this amount. Staples has received this grant three times. In the Southwest Industrial Park, Prairie Diesel has two spaces, MN Fresh has one space and ECP is in the final stages of financial approval. They will build a warehouse if approved.
7. In New Business, the Business Appreciation Breakfast will be at the LPCC on October 21. Currently looking for a sponsor, possibly either Dan's Prize of LP Packing. Jenkins declined request to be sponsor.
8. Next meeting of LPEDA will be on Oct. 15 at 4:30 PM.
9. Meeting adjourned at 5:17 PM.

Minutes submitted by Mary Schmidt, LPEDA Secretary