LaCrosse Community Pride

Board of Directors meeting 05/20/2022

Present were: Paige, Kathleen, Alex, Jeff, and Tami. Guest: Bethany & Jim

Jeff called the meeting to order at **7:00am**

Jeff presented the **meeting minutes from the last meeting** (4/15/2022)

Paige moved to approve with one correction of changing Jeff to Peggy for opening the meeting, Kathleen seconded the motion, motion carried.

**Bills:**

Apt

Justin Pay- $109.47

Bethany Pay- $459.46

Startin's- 624.67

ED

Startin's- 11.32

Store

Margaret Enzweiler- $60 (3hrs at $20)

TNA- $5821.20

Apartments

Gazette- $18.70

Hud Billing- $87

Mike Stine- $80

Empire Disposal- $148.30

Ex. Director

Empire Disposal- $22.23

**Grants:**

* Paige has filled out 2 grants for the new library furnace and hopes we should know by end of next week.
* We have been awarded $5000 grant from the Colonial Dames. These funds are to be used for a double sided, business sign to sit in front of the rock bunkhouses and service station as a means of promoting those entities as well as our funders. We need to use these funds in less than 1 year.
* Kathleen moved that we reapply for the affiliated Main Street Grant. Alex seconded. Motion passed.

**Store Building:**

* Bethany will ask Steve of TNA about any rebates for the new furnace.

**Apartments:**

* TNA came and did our yearly service. It was recommended that we purchase 3 drain pans and 1 motor to have on hand due to parts being hard to come by. The group agreed with this and asked Bethany to do that.
* Jeff said he will put out weed and feed after mowing, when weather permits.

**Andrus Building:**

* Is still having roof issues but Sarah is working with the company to get that taken care of.
* Kathleen said she dug a trench to see about the plumbing issues and the city took a camera down the drains and all of it on the city and building side needs to be replaced.
* Alex said maybe Sarah could get a plumber to bid what it would cost to replace and get ready for a bathroom. Bethany though maybe Wade and Justin could do some of the work if bid came back to high.

**Café and Bank:**

* Nothing was mentioned.

**Rock Houses:**

* Leslie said that John Paul would like to set up a meeting to visit the gas station on June 2, 3, 6 or 7. Alex was going to see if we would set up the meeting on June 6.
* General sheet rocking is done with just a few more adjustments to be made. We now need to texture, paint, finish electrical and plumbing, flooring, landscape and interior décor.
* We have a problem with the bathroom door that we are currently working on trying to fix.
* We have a flooring bid for the 3 bunk houses from Legacy for $6088.83. Alex made the motion to accept the bid and it was seconded by Paige. Motion passed.

**Executive Director report (Sarah):** Sarah submitted her report via email.

**Economic Vitality:** No update

**Promotion:** No Update

**Design:** Tami and Sarah went to the city council and have received permission to paint the crosswalks. First we must present a drawing to the Mayor for his approval and then is 6 month the city council will reevaluate and then give permission to do more if no problems arise.

**Outreach:** No update

**Silent Auction:**

* Tami has sent out letters and items are starting to come in.
* Alex will donate books and maybe a Hooper hotel stay or something similar.
* Kathleen asked if we contacted Palouse River Rock about a donation. Tami said she will check the list and see.

**Other:**

* Wade has been hired as a handyman and will be an hourly employee. Paige moved that we pay him $20 an hour. It was seconded by Alex. Motion passed. Bethany asked which account would he be paid out of and it was decided that her and Jim the accountant will work on that.
* Alex asked if we have heard anything from the city about advertising Lois Startin’s honorable mention as volunteer of the year award. We will address this when we get closer to Farmers Fest.
* Alex mentions that on June 18 the speeder cars will be making a trip from Colfax to Hooper. Have lunch in Hooper and then would like to make a stop in LaCrosse and tour the rock houses. Alex would like other LCP members there is possible.

**Jim:**

* He has done the HUB report and will do also be able to get it done faster next year.
* He plans on taking our 3 entities and combine them into one. He will do this in December 15. So our end of the year will be December 15 and all bills and employees will need to be paid before that date. He then can take the rest of the month of December to combine the 3 accounts.
* He says he recommends we purchase QuickBooks online. That way Bethany and him could have access to it.
* He recommends that Sarah help with bookkeeping by reconciliation on the accounts. It is just cleaner for someone other than the check writer to do this.

Next meeting is June 3 at 7am.

Jeff concluded the meeting at 8:15am.