LaCrosse Community Pride

Board of Directors meeting 07/22/2022

Present were: Jeff, Paige, Tami, Kathleen, Jeff, Sarah, Leslie, Kelli, Kenny (Guest)

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

Jeff presented the minutes from 7/12.

Paige moved to approve both minutes as written, Leslie seconded the motion, motion carried

**Treasurer's Report (Paige):**

* Bethany has been on vacation. We do not have a list of bills to be paid.
* Paige moved to pay the upcoming bills that fall between now and the next meeting. Leslie seconded. Motion carried.
* Paige completed our Non-Profit Corporation and registered LCP as a charity

**Grants:**

* Sarah found a grant through the Kingsman Foundation that could be used to purchase furnishings for the rock houses. She will work on it when she returns from vacation. It was suggested she work with Bully for You in Colfax to find furniture.

**Store Building:**

* Margaret has hurt her back. She is no longer able to clean for us. Jessica Pelissier will now be doing the cleaning at the same hourly rate as Margaret. Long term she may be able to do cleaning in other buildings as well.
* SAIL is holding exercising classes Tues and Wed in The Gathering Place from 9-10am. Three or four people are using it. It was asked if we should advertise it more to increase participation.

**Apartments:**

* MOR inspection will be Aug. 31st
* Sarah put down weed barrier and red rock on the Crystal Street side of the apartments. She used all but 10 bags of the red rock Justin had purchased.
* She has offered to take her trailer to buy more rock in bulk. It was also suggested she ask Atlas about delivering.

**Andrus Building:**

**Cafe:**

* Beth made a payment towards her rent.
* TNA worked on the cooler. Sarah is unsure if it is fixed or if they are still waiting on parts.

**Bank:**

**Rockhouses:** CCE has a landscape class that is looking for potential projects. It might be worth looking into them for landscaping at the bunkhouses.

**Service Station:** Leslie asked for recommendations for a contractor to demolish the service station so we can start rebuilding.

**Executive Director report (Sarah):**

* We have been invited to meet via zoom with the Main Street application review committee Aug. 1 at 12:15. Sarah and Leslie will participate in that meeting.
* The Port of Whitman has asked for an update on the Rockhouse projects August 16 at 10am. Sarah will attend.

**Economic Vitality:** No update

**Promotion:** No Update

**Design:** No update

**Outreach:** No update

**Movie Night in the Park:**

* LCP will be hosting a FREE movie night in the park Saturday August 26
* Kathleen has already purchased a blow up screen
* Justin can help with setup and has a lead on a projector
* It was suggested that we do first 50 hotdogs for popcorn for free
* Tami said the school has hotdog cooker and popcorn machine we may be able to use

**Cafe:**

* There have been some financial issues brought to our attention at the cafe
* Paige and Jeff will arrange a meeting with Beth to discuss the issues
* They will also visit with Jim and a lawyer to discuss our options as owners of the building
* Our lease is with the Beth is currently expired therefore we are running on a month to month lease in which we can terminate if need be

**Daycare:**

* We have a person in town interested in starting a daycare.
* Possible locations, chuches, Jasper building, tear down rock houses and rebuild on building to be a daycare facility, LCC building
* Cannot be at the school. That has been looked into several times
* RDI is working on helping to find resources
* Danielle, Butch’s daughter, runs a daycare and can be a resource

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Next meeting is August 5 at 7am. We will be visiting the Rock Houses to look at storage, etc. Wear walking shoes.

Jeff concluded the meeting at 8:47am.