

Full Board Minutes September 6, 2023 Pella Lutheran Church

Leif Anderson brought the meeting to order at 6:43 AM. Board members present were: Leif Anderson, Jason Brothen, Jen Doty, Chip Gifford, Shane Gorder, Jamie Malsam (Zoom), Walt McNutt, Vanessa Pooch, Mark Rehbein, Gary Schoepp, Alan Seigfreid, Cami Skinner (Zoom), Morgan Taylor, Leslie Messer, and Amelia Messer. Members absent were: Craig Averett, Paula Eberling, Dave Garland, Travis Gerten, Kali Godfrey, Bill Henderson, Michele Herres, Randy Olson, and Blaine Rogers.

Approval of Minutes: Mark moved to approve the minutes. Jason seconded. Approved.

Financial Reports: Leslie went over the monthly financials and showed where everything came in and went out. Gary moved to approve the financials. Walt seconded. Approved.

Monthly happenings: Leslie and Amelia thanked everyone who sat at the fair booth this year. They connected with members and other people while at the booth. REDC promoted and participated in meeting with CSI Commissioner.

In depth conversation with Kali: Kali met Leslie at the fair booth, and they had a nice chat about collaboration between REDC and the Chamber. Following that, a meeting was held with the two exec boards. There was discussion on doing projects together in the future.

Digital marketing workshop: REDC promoted and participated in a digital marketing workshop. Leif stated that the class went well and that it was good. There is also an upcoming QuickBooks workshop on Sept. 20th.

City Report- *(Sent in an email)* The City Hall remodel will begin this fall. The city is pursuing an option to put a permanent bulkhead in the pool which would essentially split the pool in half. The city approved a lot aggregation intended to hold a Dollar General in the future. The 2024 city budget was passed on 9/5/2023. The city added a compliance officer position to the general fund. This will add capacity to the city to address nuisance issues.

County Report: Shane stated that Richland County has banded together with other counties and written a letter to the Attorney General about how the 95 mils are calculated. They are currently waiting for a reply. He also stated that the fair grounds project is back on track and is going well.

Open discussion: Walt reported that the runway is going well and almost complete. Cape Air has been awarded the Essential Air Service provider contract for the next 4 years.

Adjourned: 7:45 AM

Next Full Board Meeting: October 4th

Next Executive Board Meeting: September 20th, *please note date change.*