LaCrosse Community Partners

Board of Directors meeting 07/12/2024

Present were: Kenny, Sarah, Alice, Paige, Charmaine, Kevin, Leslie, Alex, Anna, Jeff

Guest: Nick Backman

Kenny called the meeting to order at **7:01am.**

No minutes were presented.

**Grants:**

* Sarah is still working on getting the reimbursement.
* Sarah will apply to the ADO grant that is due in August.
* Kenny is looking into grants from Avista to help with the cost of insulating the Andrus building.
* Kenny reported the school and city grant to update the fields is moving forward.
* Paige got a grant to update the stove in the COA kitchen. The old stove will be donated to LCP as soon as the new one arrives.

**Store Building:** Sarah said the float on the smaller septic pump stuck. Weston was able to get it working again.

**Apartments:**

* Bethany is gone until June 18th. Sarah is filling in if needed.
* Unit 4 still has a few things to get out of the apartment. Then we can do a walk through. Sarah would like at least one of the board members to walk through with her and Bethany so it can be a group decision as to what updates we would like to make before we rent out the unit.
* Eden was back Wed. to check on the bed bugs. They found a couple of live bugs and will be back.

**Andrus Building:**

* RotoRooter will be here next Monday and Tuesday next week to install the plumbing.
* We have made a deposit with Ackermans and are waiting on the equipment to arrive to install the HVAC.
* Michael Broeckel and Jay Hart joined the meeting for Kenny and Paige to sign the loan paperwork. The terms are as follows:
  + Initial Loan Terms:
  + Loan Type: Non-Revolving line of credit
  + Loan amount: $100,000
  + Loan Term: 6 months, maturity 1/20/2025
  + Loan Rate: initial rate 8%
  + Loan Fee: $500 plus title & filing fee

Term-out Loan Terms (at completion of the project):

* + Approximate loan amount: $50M
  + Loan Term: 60 months
  + Loan Rate: 6.5% fixed
  + Loan Fee: $500
* Kevin moved and Alice seconded we approve the loan as written and allow Kenny and Paige to sign the loan documents. Motion passed. Jeff abstained from the vote.

**Service Station:**

* Alex is moving forward with the railroad property lease.
* Kenny is going to ask Darin to pick up the metal door off the lean to and haul it away.
* Kenny would like to see a fence put around our property once we possess the railroad piece to keep the neighborhood dogs out.

**Justin’s Wages:** No job description was given to Sarah this week so this topic is tabled until the next meeting.

**Movie Night in the Park:** It will be Aug. 16th in the park at dusk. Paige will provide the sound system.

**Harvest Dinner:** Sarah contacted Renee Hinder. We will have dinner after their bluegrass concert Oct. 6. Dinner will need to be around 3:30. There was discussion about a beer garden as a fundraiser.

**LaCrosse Signage:** No one followed up on who owns the dump property on Airport Rd. Kenny will look into it.

**Places Conference:** In the past we have taken 3 board members along with Sarah.

* It is in Walla Walla Oct. 16-18
* Sarah, Leslie, and Kenny will for sure attend.
* Sarah will ask Jamie if she wants to go.

**Logo Gear:** Sarah sent out a link for apparel for people to look at.

* Paige moved and Alice seconded that each LCP board member and staff be given a $40 allowance towards the purchase of LCP apparel of their choice. Anything cost above $40 would be the responsibility of the board member or staff. Motion passed.
* Sarah asked that everyone review the site and pick their apparel ASAP so it could be ordered and here before the fall LCP events.

**Nick’s Update:**

* WSDOT Connecting Communities survey closed July 7.
* There was an in person meeting regarding this, but they neglected to share it with stakeholders.
* There will be a virtual meeting July 17. Sarah will send the link out for those who can attend.
* It is important we make a presence at the meetings as Nick is trying to get LaCrosse to be a stop between Colfax and Tri-Cities.

**Upcoming Meeting Schedule:** Sarah will be gone for the next meeting and harvest is starting. It was determined we will skip the next meeting.

Sarah shared that she attended the Economic Development Informational meeting Wednesday put on by the Port. She said it has grown since the last time she was there. It seems like there are a lot of resources out there that potentially LCP could tap into.

Alice moved and Paige seconded that Nick Backman become a LCP board member. Motion passed.

**Next meeting will be August 9, 2024 at 7am in the Gathering Place.**

Kenny concluded the meeting at 8:04am.

**Action Items:**

**All: Update community service hours and choose LCP apparel**

Alex- Move forward on getting an agreement for the railroad property the bunkhouse sits on

Paige- Speakers for Movie night, plan food for Harvest Dinner

Jeff- Help where needed

Kenny-Find out who owns dump property on Airport Rd, Continue work on Service Station

Jamie- Bookkeeping

Alice-

Leslie-

Anna-

Charmaine-

Kevin-

Nick-