LaCrosse Community Partners

Board of Directors meeting 01/05/2024

Present were: Alice, Leslie, Sarah, Jamie, Paige, Jeff

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

Minutes from 12/15/23 were presented. Paige moved, and Alice seconded to approve the minutes as with the corrections that were discussed. Motion passed.

**Financial Report (Paige and Sarah):**  Jamie and Sarah will be opening a new bank account for payroll and changing who can sign on the accounts after this meeting. They will also reach out to Jim to let him know Jamie will be doing the payroll and quarterly taxes.

**Grants:** Nothing to report.

**Store Building:** Startin’s have not fixed the leak from the sump pump drain under the sidewalk yet.

* Sarah talked to McGregor as to whether or not our insurance covered the contents of the freezer that failed. It does not.
* The repair bill for the freezer was over $1,000. Sarah is trying to get information from TNA to determine if this failure was preventable.
* The back portion of the store room had 9 fluorescent bulbs that were out. Buggy changed them for LCP. There was at least one bad ballast that he replaced with an LED ballast. Someone said we need to remind Carter Foods that changing the light bulbs is their responsibility.

**Apartments:**

* TNA still does not have the heat working in the apartment laundry room. Sarah asked Steve for an update, but has not heard back from him.
* Sarah and Jamie worked with McGregor Risk and got the paperwork done with Cochrane and Company to finalize our insurance through them. They said they would like to do and inspection of the buildings, but no one has contacted Sarah to set up a meeting time.

**Andrus Building:** We need to focus this spring on getting a tenant in there.

**Cafe:**  We have not seen a payment from the cafe. We will be moving forward with closing it down. Sarah will schedule a walk through with Beth after she closes January 31st. Sarah make arrangements with a locksmith to have the locks changed February 1st. We will send this in writing to the cafe. Sarah will formulate a rough draft.

**Bank:** Nothing to report.

**Rockhouses:** They will be used by the architects next week.

**Service Station:** The architects will be here, weather permitting, January 9-11 to take measurements and make plans.

**Officer elections:** The motion was made and seconded to accept the nominations for officers as following: Kenny-President, Alex-Vice-President, Paige-Treasuer, and Jeff-Secretary. Motion passed.

**Meeting Requirements:** LCP does not want to lose board members, but participating in meetings is crucial. Paige will bring a laptop for those who can not be in person so they can participate through ZOOm.

* Leslie moved and Jamie seconded we edit the by-laws to require 60% meeting participation or the board member will become an ex-officio member and lose their voting rights. Motion passed.
* Paige will update the by-laws.

**Membership:** There is a consensus that we need to do more research how other Main Street communities are running their membership programs. We also want to kick off with an event. This will be discussed further at the next meeting.

**Next meeting will be January 19, 2024 at 7am in the Gathering Place.**

Jeff concluded the meeting at 7:52 am.

**Action Items:**

**All: Update community service hours**

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

Tami- Crosswalk art

Paige- Help where needed

Jeff- Help where needed

Kenny-Help look for new grants to apply for, continue on EV

Jamie- Work with Leslie for photos for the bunkhouses, bookkeeping

Kelli-Signage for LCP owned buildings

Leslie-photos for bunkhouses with Jamie

Rikki-Help where needed