LaCrosse Community Pride

Board of Directors meeting 11/18/2022

Present were: Jeff, Kathleen, Sarah, Kenny, Paige, Tami, Leslie, Bethany, Kenny, Alex, and Jamie

Jeff called the meeting to order at **7:10am**

Minutes from 9/16, 10/14, and 10/28 were presented. Leslie moved and Jamie seconded to accept the minutes as written.

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

* Sarah provided a rough budget for 2023. She highlighted some numbers that may need to be adjusted. Current projection shows a deficit.
* Bethany’s computer will be going to the accountant for updates and adjustments December 15. All bills will need to be paid before that time.

**Grants:**

* We did not receive the Sevenski grant for furniture for the bunkhouses.
* Jeff is taking a 5 week grant writing course through RDI.
* Kenny is looking into grants for us.

**Store Building:**

* Still waiting on the new damper from TNA for the furnace unit.

**Apartments:**

* Bethany was contacted by a potential handyman asking for employment at the apartments. The group discussed this and decided it was not in the budget to hire another employee at the moment.
* Bethany and Justin got 3 bids from Startin’s Repair for snowblowers. The bids ranged from $825-$1250. The most expensive blower has all the features needed to move the snow from the city plow off of the sidewalks. Kenny moved and Alex seconded we allow Bethany and Justin to purchase the $1250 snowblower from Startin’s Repair. Motion carried.
* The outlets in the apartments have been going bad. They are a fire hazard. TNA has replaced ALL of the outlets.
* There was a medical situation at the apartments. No one was able to get into the unit until Justin and Bethany arrived. Bethany is researching key box options for a master key into the units in case of emergencies.

**Andrus Building:**

* Kathleen said the city plans on redoing the alley so the water drains away from the building next summer.
* It was also suggested we dig some dirt and add rock to help water run away from the building.

**Cafe:**  Jeff and Paige will be checking on L&I by December 1st and working on a lease agreement.

**Bank:** Nothing to report.

**Rockhouses:**

* The most recent contractor bailed out before he started.
* Sarah’s dad has been here for the last 2 weeks working on the bunkhouses. He will be paid $25/hour.
* The water is not hooked up in the bunkhouses, but is hooked up in the bathroom. Justin and Sarah will try to locate the missing waterlines.

**Design Committee:** There have been two meetings looking at furniture and finishing touches for the bunkhouses to get them ready for overnight accommodations over the Christmas holiday. It was asked that the group be given a budget to work with. Alex moved and Kathleen seconded that the group be given a budget of $3,000 to work with to be reviewed and altered if needed at the next meeting. Motion carried.

**Economic Vitality Committee:**  Jeff, Sarah, Leslie, and Bethany were part of a conference call with Main Street about the B&O taxes and how the process works.

Next meeting is December 2 at 7am in the Gathering Place.

There will be an Economic Vitality meeting following the general meeting to discuss the 2023 B&O campaign.

Jeff concluded the meeting at 8:25am.