

# Neligh Chamber of Commerce Monthly Meeting

April 12, 2022. Noon - Chamber Office

Present: Jill, Steve, Rich, Klint, Traci (via phone)

Absent: Diane, Lianne, Wade, FBLA seat

Other Guests: Keith Kube, Jenna and Holly – AseraCare, Lauren, Bri

## Meeting called to order at 12:02 PM

Approval of March Bills: A motion was made to include a 20% tip to the Legion for the work they provided in setting up, preparing the meal, and cleaning up from our annual banquet.

**Motion: Steve, 2<sup>nd</sup>: Rich.** A motion was made to approve the March bills. **Motion: Steve, 2<sup>nd</sup>: Klint.**

Approval of March Minutes: A motion was made to approve the March meeting minutes.

**Motion: Klint, 2<sup>nd</sup>: Rich**

## New Business (12:10 PM):

1. **Welcome AseraCare:** Jenna and Holly provided a brief overview of the work they do and goals that AseraCare has in the upcoming years. They also expressed great excitement in the joining the Chamber!
2. **Chamber Scholarship:** A motion was made to accept the Recipient Nomination for the 2022 Scholarship. **Motion: 2<sup>nd</sup>: Klint.**
3. **Chamber Director Report:** Bri began the report by discussing upcoming events. Shred Day is set for April 20 and Neligh-Oakdale Public School's Big Event is set for May 4. She also reviewed and provided a brief update on the Christmas Lights. This past month, the Chamber welcomed 3 new members. This included AseraCare Hospice, Summit Carbon Solutions, and Keith Kube and Associates. The Chamber also hosted a mini award recognition for the city of Neligh to show gratitude to all who rightfully earned the award.

Bri discussed that she has been keeping busy by working to create a timeline and master detail sheet for all Chamber information. Sadly, Bri also submitted her resignation to the Chamber. *"I truly can't express my gratitude and appreciation for all that this community has done for me, what I have learned from my job, and the wonderful relationships I have created in my time here. This was not an easy decision, but it was necessary as the idea of pursuing a career in Family and Consumer Science education is something that has been on my heart for a long time. You will certainly still see me in the community as I love Neligh far too much to just leave it. My last day will be June 3."* A motion was made to regretfully accept Bri's resignation. **Motion: Klint, 2<sup>nd</sup>: Steve.** Total

Chamber contract hours are at 305/1000. Motion was made to approve the Chamber Director Report. **Motion: Steve, 2<sup>nd</sup>: Rich]**

4. **ED Report:** Lauren provided the ED report update. She discussed the work that is taking place to try to get an electric vehicle charging station to Neligh. It would be placed by Antelope County Museum for it to be more centrally located and have easy access to downtown.

Neligh was also awarded the NIFA Grant last month and is working to update the housing plan. The first meeting is on the 25<sup>th</sup> of this month for all administration involved in this planning process. Lauren also shared that the annual TIFF reports have been prepared and are ready to be shared. We also had received the window clings to for businesses to hang up and spread the word about the Discover Neligh App from the CLG Grant.

For Clearwater, they were able to announce their community awards this past month! In the next few weeks, she will also be busy attending 3 different conferences.

Committee Reports (12:30 PM):

1. **Promotions:** Upcoming Promotions are the Mother's Day CoOp Ads and then Father of the Year.
2. **Annual Banquet:** The annual banquet was held on March 26! It was a smaller crowd this year, but still fun. A huge thank you to the Legion for all the work they do to help make this event possible! The 2021 Chamber awards were also announced:
  - Lifetime Achievement – Gloria Christiansen
  - Outstanding Community Member – Amanda Elder
  - Chamber Member of the Year – Neligh Public Works
3. **BBQ:** This will be our next event coming up on August 6.
4. **Open Floor for Additional Discussion:** N/A

Adjourn: **12:21 PM**      **Motion: Klint, 2<sup>nd</sup>: Jill**

**Minutes Reviewed and Approved by: Rich Burgess, Secretary**

**Date: 4/28/22**