

Month	Present	Absent
June	Jill, Steve, Rich, Diane, Klint, Kelli, FBLA, Laurie	
July	Jill, Steve, Rich, Diane, Klint, Kelli, FBLA	Laurie

Neligh Chamber of Commerce
Monthly Board Meeting
August 13, 2024-Chamber Office

Meeting called to order at 12:05 PM

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Roll Call: Jill Steve Rich Diane Klint Kelli FBLA Laurie

Other Attendees: Tami, Sara

Approval of July Bills & Treasurer Report: [Motion made by FBLA to approve July Bills and Treasurer Report. Second made by Kelli. Motion passed.](#)

Approval of July Minutes: [Motion made by Kelli to approve July minutes. Second by Rich. Motion passed.](#)

New Business

Bylaw Article VI [Motion made by Diane to keep bylaw Artic VI Committees as written. Second by Klint. Motion passed.](#)

CD Renewal (Maturity Date August 5th) [Director reported that with the timeliness of the board that that CD was renewed at Pinnacle Bank with the three-month special.](#)

Market Rate Housing Review [Director reported two proposals were collected from Herley & Reinke Accounting, P.C. and from AMGL CPAs & Advisors. Director shared proposals stating HRA would charge \\$5,000 per year for years 2023-2026, while AMGL would charge \\$4,150 for 2023, \\$4,300 for 2024, and \\$4,450 for 2025. Board discussed the concerns of having a local CPA do the work. Board discussed supporting local businesses. Motion made by Lisa to hire Hearly & Reinke Accounting, P.C. A second by Kelli. Motion failed. A new motion made by Lisa to continue services with AMGL CPAs & Advisors. Second by Steve. Motion passed.](#)

The Chamber president presented clarification by the city clerk on clarification of what the board meant by the June meeting minutes reading, “Laurie made a motion to increase the director’s salary by 5% with the added cost of living increase determined by the city of Neligh.” The board discussed that they felt the director position's base pay was too low and are looking for a one-year increase to get comparable. The Chamber president presented it would be reported that the chamber board is trying to increase the base pay and is recommending a %5 increase along with what the city approves for a cost-of-living increase.

Chamber Director Report [The Director presented the BBQ that occurred on August 3rd. Roughly 900-950 people were served with a profit of roughly \\$6000 after all expenses were considered. The Teacher’s Breakfast occurred on August 9th for 60 staff members at Neligh Oakdale. The director continues to reach out to Novemberfest vendors. Music has been booked. Waiting for a response from Holiday Outdoor Décor on how to proceed with damaged displays. Assistant Director of ED is working with the Community Center on applying for some grants to help with operating costs and the needed new AC](#)

units. The Assistant Director attended the Network meeting on July 16th. Continued research for grant opportunities for the Neligh Mill to replace fifty-year-old boards for the headgate and updating the City of Neligh website. Chamber director will continue to work on Novemebrfest, Ladies Night which will be November 6th, Parade of Light Dates which could be November 26th or December 1st. The board discussed that the Neligh-Oakdale choir and band will agree at the Parade of Lights if over a weekend. Trunk or Treat will be on October 26th. Hours to date are 656. Motion made by Steve to approve Chamber report. Second made by FBLA

ED Director Report Assistant Director presented Neligh’s CLG received a \$20,800 grant for the Past Forward Historic Preservation Conference in New Orleans, a National Trust for Historic Preservation membership, Nebraska Main Street membership (50%), and Educational Panels marking historic properties in the Old Mill District. BTB Construction announced the sale of their first flip project. Continued fundraising for an inter through Intern NE under the Nebraska Community Foundation-Neligh Area Community Fund to support Nebraskachildcare.org. The Career Fair will be on January 30th. Proposals for the new Neligh signs came in under \$50,0000. In Clearwater, continued fundraising for the Veteran’s Park will occur on Saturday, October 12th at the newly renovated American Legion. The village will include a local sales tax increase of ½ of 1% to 2%, designated strictly for street improvements.

Committee Reports (Membership, Expo, BBQ, Novemberfest, Annual Meeting, Banquet, Holiday, Promotion-Ladies Night, Scholarship, & Mothers/Fathers Day)

Parade of Lights-Date December 1, 2024

Possible Other Dates Friday, November 22 or Tuesday, November 26th

Adjourn: FBLA made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Second by Steve. Motion passed.

Time: 1:10pm

Neligh Chamber of Commerce

Monthly Bills

July 2024

Checks

Vendor	Description	Amount	Aprov.	Check #
Blackburn Man.	BBQ Sponsorhip	12.69		1702
Pfizer Digital	BBQ Advertisment	192.		1703
Meadow Grove Fire Dept.	BBQ	600.00	PD	1701
Check Total		804.69		
Pinnacle Bank	Credit Card Expenses			
River Mill Coffee Co.	Board Lunch	83.08		
Amazon	BBQ Liners	51.05		
Amazon	BBQ Sauce	72.36		
Amazon	Office Supply Ink	445.67		
Credit Card Total		652.16		1704
Bill Total		1456.85		