

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

**Neligh Chamber of Commerce**  
**Monthly Board Meeting**  
July 9, 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: Lauren, Sara

Approval of June Bills & Treasurer Report: FBLA made a motion to accept the June bills, with the exception of sending the Holiday Outdoor Décor check until the Chamber receives a solution/reimbursement for the damaged delivered products. Kelli second the motion. Motion passed.

Approval of June Minutes: Kelli made a motion to approve June minutes. Second by FBLA. Motion passed.

***New Business***

Bylaw Article V Officers Rich made a motion to leave Article V as is written. Second by FBLA. Motion passed.

CD Renewal (Maturity Date August 5<sup>th</sup>) The Chamber Director brought to the attention that the Chamber CD will be due August 5<sup>th</sup>. The director will contact Pinnacle, Bank First, and Heritage for CD rates and email the board with rates seeking a motion and approval before the next board meeting.

Chamber Director Report Father of the Year was awarded to Trent Hoefler on Friday, June 14<sup>th</sup>. He was presented with a candy bouquet from Neligh Flower Shop, a \$50 Bomgaars gift card, and a \$25 Chamber Big Bucks. He was surprised and very grateful to the Chamber.

BBQ applied and received a \$4,100 grant from TC Energy and the Antelope Co Visitors Promotion Grant, which is \$350. Meadow Grove agreed to help. Seeking volunteers to help serve.

Rich spoke with Kerkman from Big Country, who has shown interest in joining the Chamber. 719 Fitness joined the chamber under the new ownership. Abigail Frank will join but is not yet up and running.

Continue to reach out to Novemberfest vendors and looking for entertainment. Blended Distilling, On the Brix, Loup River Distilling, Divots, Glacial Tills Wine/Ciders

Light Display was delivered on June 24<sup>th</sup>. Two of the displays came bent and one displays outlet was not working properly. Another display had a few lights that did not work. Pictures and email went out to Sandy Gundy with Holiday Outdoor Décor. We will wait for response to see what they want to do. Most likely, Dan and the city crew can fix the bent pieces.

Met with the Neligh Community Center to connect them with Venmo and get their computer programs back up and running from the previous manager. They were connected to Carrie from the Women's Business Center and Center of Rural Affairs, who did the Digital Marketing class to help them further. Attended the NEDA Conference June 12-14.

Steve made a motion to approve the Chamber Director Report. Second by Klint. Motion passed.

**ED Director Report** Projects selected for the CLG Grant Application FY 24-25 was for the PastForward Historic Preservation Conference in New Orleans at the end of October; membership with the Nebraska Main Street Network and the National Alliance of Preservation was also included. Wayfinding signage for the Old Mill District was the last item included in the grant application.

Hild Construction paid off its market-rate housing loan and LB 840 loan for the duplex project. BTB is nearing the completion of its flip project and is seeking another project.

A new welcome sign concept is being considered for Neligh.

The theater received a Phase I assessment through the Nebraska Department of Environment and Energy. Tetra Tech is drafting a work plan and cost estimate to complete the task. A Phase II application will be submitted after completion of Phase I.

In Clearwater, they have been working on grant applications and correspondence for the Veterans Park Project. The Legion is nearing completion of its major renovation project. The Big Rodeo and Concert brought in roughly \$40,000 in concessions alone and a preliminary count of 1,700 people at the concert.

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

**Parade of Lights-Date December 1, 2024** Director asked board to think about the Parade of Lights date since the new light displays have been delivered. December 1<sup>st</sup> date would mean less time the lights would be lit; however, that follows the tradition of the Sunday after Thanksgiving. The director reported that we need to address this sooner rather than later as other communities plan their events and want to make sure the date set isn't the same as surrounding communities. Diane voiced she would like to try to have the Neligh-Oakdale band play but is always told they will not play during the holiday. Lisa asked to give her until the middle of August to figure out whether we can get the band to agree on a date to play. The director asked the board to think about dates and would put them on next month's agenda.

**BBQ-Need Volunteers**

**Adjourn:** Steve made a motion to end the meeting. Klint second. Motion passed.

**Time:** 12:47pm

# Neligh Chamber of Commerce

## Monthly Bills

June 2024

Checks

Vendor	Description	Amount	Aprov.	Check #
City of Neligh	Payroll	8779.23		1694
Thriftway Market	Office Supplies	26.42		1695
Shamrock	Flowers	66.01		1696
American Legion	Chamber Banquet	490		1697
Holiday Outdoor Decor	Displays	6725.49		1698
Pitzer Digital	Rack Cards 1/2	136.41		1699
<b>Check Total</b>		<b>16223.56</b>		
Pinnacle Bank	Credit Card Expenses			
Cubby's	Board Lunch	63.87		
Bomgaars	Father Day Giftcard	50.00		
Neligh Flower Shop	Father Day Candy	21.94		
<b>Credit Card Total</b>		<b>135.81</b>		1700
<b>Bill Total</b>		<b>16359.37</b>		