

**Dell Rapids Chamber of Commerce**  
**Date of meeting: Dec 11, 2024**  
**7:00 PM - Dell Rapids City Hall**

**Chamber Board Members in Attendance:** Officers: President-Nate O'Bryan, Vice-President: Amber Larson, Treasurer: Amber Uphoff, Secretary: Theresa Durfee, Board Members: Mark McGraw, Lacey Pickard, Executive Director: Matthew Larson

**Others in Attendance:** Mayor Tom Earley-City Liaison, Janet DeGraw, Rebecca Fritz

The meeting was called to order by President Nate O'Bryan.

**Approval of Minutes:** Amber made a motion to approve the November Secretary minutes as printed; seconded by Lacey; minutes approved.

**Treasurer's Report:** Deposits \$619; Expenses \$9732.67. Mark made the motion to approve the Treasurer's report; seconded by Lacey, report approved.

**Guests to be Heard:** None

**Old Business:**

1. Small Business Saturday had 131 entire that submitted what they liked about Dell Rapids Businesses in response to the video, and a \$50 gift card from Pinz was given to our winner, Emily Nolte. Gift card was sponsored by Big Sioux Media
2. Christmas at the Dells Notes:
  - a. So far the Scrooge Food Drive has resulted in 15 sacks of food and \$400 delivered to the Storehouse
  - b. The Grinch Pin Scavenger Hunt has resulted in 53 entries so far with 2 people finding all 10 of them in the first round
  - c. Other ideas were shared about the weekend of events and noted in the event folder to help improve the event for next year
  - d. Parade winners: A motion was made by Mark to buy gift cards to 2 winners for the Parade of Lights (Best use of Lights & Best Theme Representation), seconded by Amber; motion approved
  - e. Matt will choose some favorite entries for each age group of the coloring contest, and the board will pick winners from the favorites.

**New Business:**

1. Annual Banquet will be held on March 9th, 2025. Amber L, Rebecca, and Amber U will be on the committee to plan the event.

**Executive Director Report:**

1. All of the board members and executive director completed the internal survey from Dakota Resources. A meeting will be scheduled with Dakota Resources and the board for sometime in the middle of January. Date to be determined. The business survey is currently in progress and closes on December 19th.
2. Craft Show form discussion was had.

**Chamber Bucks:** Discussion tabled for next meeting

**Adjourn:** Amber made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Mark seconded

**Next Meeting:** January 14th, 2025, 6:30 p.m. at River Community Church

**Minutes Taken By:** Theresa Durfee