

Dell Rapids Chamber of Commerce
Meeting Meeting Minutes
May 13, 2025

Board Members Present: President Nate O'Bryan, Vice President Lacie Packard, Secretary Rebecca Fritz, Treasurer Amber Larson, Markegraw, Theresa Durfee

Members Present: Janet Degraw, Exec. Dr Matt Larson, Mayor Marsha Symens

- Vice President Lacie Packard called the April 2025 meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
- No guests to be heard
- Approval of Minutes
 - Motion to approve March minutes by Mark D. Second by Amber U. Motion CARRIED.
 - Motion to approve April minutes by Mark D. Second by Theresa D. Motion CARRIED
- The treasurer presented the monthly report, outlining total revenue of \$6,725.13 and total expenses of \$15,525.32. Motion to approve by Mark D. Second by Rebecca F. Motion CARRIED.
- Executive Director Report
 - Matt reported that he has attended two conferences since the last meeting. The Dakota Resources New Executives Cohort took place in Chamberlain, and that group has a total of six executives from other communities across the state. This is a group that is able to share ideas with one another throughout the year since they are facing similar issues and also learn from Dakota Resources. The Mid-America Chamber Executives (MACE) conference was held in Sioux Falls. The conference provided ideas on memberships, entrepreneurial programs, and sponsorship tips.
 - The community guide is about ready to print. Matt has requests to Vista Print and Panther Printing for quotes on printing costs.
 - Two networking events are coming up in May and June before the next board meeting. The Museum will be hosting Grand Re-Opening on May 30th, and Ace Hardware will be hosting a mixer on June 5th.
 - The library will be featured in the next Chamber Podcast
 - Matt is working with Economic Director Sheldon Jensen in collaboration with Dakota Resources for an event Dakota Resources is bringing to Dell Rapids in July called a "Thriving Downtown".
- Old Business
 - Street Dance - Cricket's Catering:
 - Motion to charge Cricket's \$200 as a fee/sponsorship to sell food at the street dance by Theresa D. Second by Mark D. Motion PASSED.
- New Business
 - Flyer in the Water Bill
 - An update was given on the progress of adding a Quarry Days flyer in the city water bill. The flyer needs to be completed by May 16th so the printer

flyers can be at City Hall by May 26th to be ready to insert into the June water bills.

- Race to End It Proposal
 - Motion by Mark D to make a \$100 donation to the Race to End It 5k. Second by Amber U. Motion CARRIED.
- FitLawn Proposal
 - Motion by Amber U to provide an in-kind sponsorship level of \$500 as well as make a \$500 payment to FitLawn for their contribution to the 2025 Quarry Days weekend. Second by Mark D. Motion CARRIED.
- Mayor's Report
 - Mayor Symens shared her thoughts on her new role. She mentioned she would like to make Dell Rapids a destination for the "Sesquicentennial" 250th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence. This event could be in conjunction with Quarry Days 2026 or separate. She is looking for fundraising ideas.
- Motion by Mark D to adjourn. Second by Amber U. Motion CARRIED.