DELL RAPIDS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
MONTHLY BOARD MEETING MINUTES
DATE: Thursday, August 6, 6:30 pm

President Lacie Pachard called the August 8, 2026 meeting of the Dell Rapids Chamber of Commerce to order at 6:32 pm.

Attendance
Board Members: President Lacie Packard, Vice President Theresa Durfee, Treasurer (vacant), Secretary Rebecca Fritz, Frances Larson-Drenth
City Liaison: Mayor Marsha Symens

Secretary Rebecca Fritz sent out the minutes for the July meeting before the meeting. No additions or corrections were noted. Theresa approved the minutes; seconded by Frances.

Treasurer's Report - board position is still open. The accounting vendor has reviewed and audited the books; QuickBooks is up to date as of the time of the meeting. Income and loss reports were not available. A request was made by Rebecca to provide a monthly profit and loss report going forward. This report is available through QuickBooks.

Old Business

Treasurer Position — discussion. If profit and loss is available through QuickBooks, any board member with access to printing reports can provide the information until the position is filled.

New Office Space — Discussion on new office space for the Chamber. There is a space available on Fourth Street between Ladelle and Orleans. The space should be available no later than October 1. Will continue to update the board on progress.

Muu Muu & Meander — Discussion and planning for the event. Flyers have been distributed to the downtown businesses. Member and non-member businesses have been invited to participate. The event will run 11 am to 3 pm with a passport and bingo card for all attendees. The sheets will be turned in for a drawing; attendees need not be present to win.

Quarter Craze — New fundraising event idea. Discussion and planning. Quarter Craze has been scheduled for Thursday, September 10, 6 - 9 pm. Donations are being collected, and vendors have started signing up to have a table during the event.

Biggest Quack — Discussion and planning for the event. Biggest Quack is a school supply collection competition to benefit all Dell Rapids schools. Participation is down from last year, with one week remaining to collect items.

New Business

Membership Survey — Discussion to determine what questions to ask members.

Downtown Trick-or-Treat — Finalize the date and determine who is leading. The event has been scheduled for Friday, October 30, 5 - 7 pm. The streets will be marked with No Parking Signs

the night before. Street closure will begin at 2 pm. Mayer Symens would like to host a Chili Cook-Off again as a charity fundraiser. Organization to be determined.

Finding New Board Members — Discussion on recruiting new board members.Changing membership pricing and benefits. Continue to discuss at future meetings.

Google Ads — Discussion on running Google Ads for the Chamber. This will continue to increase our SEO and Social Media reach.

Operations Report
Shelbie

Marketing Report
Theresa

Mayor's Report

Additional Business
Rebecca made a motion to change the General Meeting to the second Thursday at 6:30 pm; seconded by Frances. No further discussion.

Frances made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Theresa