



Dell Rapids Lions Club

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DELL RAPIDS LIONS CLUB — OFFICIAL MINUTES OF REGULAR CLUB MEETING 6:30 p.m., Thursday, September 5, 2024, at Pizza Ranch

President Darrold Williams called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m., with 20 other Lions in attendance: Allen Brown, Ruth Coffaa, Carolyn Drew, Tom & Connie Earley, Crystal & Jon Gill, Dean Hammer, Marlowe & Sue Hovey, Chuck & Barb Littel, Tom Ludens, Virginia Miller, Peg Nelson, Kathy Rindels, Carmen & Zach Rogen, Robert Wiarda, and Dianne Williams.

PROGRAM: Darrold introduced the program speaker, Steve McFarland, Dell Rapids City Administrator, who gave an update on city government. The new city hall is occupied, with a public open house to be held in the near future. The old facility has been demolished, and the property purchased by First National Bank. The Third Street project will be complete in October, expanding utilities and concrete roadbed the length of this truck route. A new indoor/outdoor park facility with year-round restrooms will be constructed in the city park next year. A Park Master Plan and budget is being formulated, including extension of the bike trail and swimming pool updates. South Dakota Measure 28 (to repeal sales tax on food/consumables), on the November ballot, is concerning to the City that budgets this revenue; the City could be left with a shortfall.

SECRETARY'S MINUTES: Motion to approve by Marlowe., seconded by Carmen; m/c.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Peg reported that a few members have yet to pay their dues. Seventeen reservations have been paid for the 80th anniversary banquet. Motion to approve by Tom L., seconded by Chuck; m/c. Activities Account: \$7,987.04 Business Account: \$2,692.39 Less Lion Tamer's Drawing: \$ 35.00 = \$2,657.39 Less New Member Account: \$134.14 = \$2,523.25

MEMBERSHIP REPORT: Carmen reported that the DeBoers will be inducted at our October meeting; five new members could complete their Proud Lion Award requirements.

CORRESPONDENCE: NGOs1: Our club has been added to this directory for non-governmental organizations and services. This platform will connect us to other NGOs via their website. Several other local organizations are also members, i.e. Dell Rapids Quarry Days and Dell Rapids Community Fund. — FREEMAN GOLF TOURNEY: Invitation to play Sept. 14th. — PINEWOOD DERBY: Date has been set for March 15, 2025.

OLD BUSINESS: 80th ANNIVERSARY: 17 paid reservations so far; Lions encouraged to sign up soon. — FALL PICNIC: Agreed that it's too late in the season now. — STATE LIONS CONVENTION: The early-bird rate has been extended until convention time.

NEW BUSINESS: CLUB PLACEMATS: Motion by Carmen, seconded by Robert, for Sue to place a printing order with Performance Press for 3,000 13.5" x 9.5" placemats, white 50# offset, reflex blue ink, for \$265.95; m/c. — MEAT RAFFLE dates are set: Oct. 4, Nov. 1, Dec. 6, Jan. 3, Feb. 7, Mar. 7, Apr. 4; 5:30-7:00 p.m. at Norby's. Carolyn and Carmen are the new co-chairs of this fund-raiser. — EYEGLASSES: A request came through the S.D. Lions Foundation for our club's financial assistance in purchasing glasses for a local elderly woman; Jody will be given the contact info to follow up with our application form. — DRHS HOMECOMING DANCE: not to be held this year. — PRAIRIE ROSE COMMUNITY FUND (Steven Munk, Board Chr.): PRCF has a grant request for a defibrillator to be used in the nursing home in Garretson, which is not a 501c-3 classified entity. PRCF bylaws require funds go only to 501c-3 classified entities, like our Lions Club. PRCF requests we accept their check, and in turn issue a club check for the purchase of the defibrillator. Motion by Robert to approve the request, seconded by Zach; m/c. — FACEBOOK PAGE: Carmen reported our club's page was shut down for reasons that defy reason; she built a new one: Lions Club of Dell Rapids.

LION TAMER'S DRAWING: Carolyn drew the 7 of Diamonds, leaving 50 cards in the deck and \$73 in the pot. The meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Sue Hovey, Secretary