

The meeting was called to order at 12:03 p.m. by President Ryan Morrison with 15 attendees. December minutes were reviewed. Loretta Sloss moved to accept the minutes; the motion was seconded; motion carried.

Cheryl Marks moved to approve the agenda as provided with the addition of an item from Warren Varley regarding taxes. Motion seconded; motion carried.

President's Report: (1) Thank you to past president Kristy Lonsdale for her years of service. (2) Motions will not be accepted in the Open Forum portion of the meeting. (3) The Executive Committee met and has refocused on the Chamber mission as reflected in the proposed budget.

Treasurer's Report: The treasurer's report was provided in writing and reviewed. Warren Varley moved to accept the treasurer's report; motion seconded; motion carried. Jeff Schwartzkopf moved to pay the Midwest Partnership 2020 dues of \$500; motion seconded; motion carried. (Ryan Morrison abstained as a member of the Midwest Partnership board of directors.)

Proposed Budget: (1) The 2020 budget as proposed by the Executive Committee was presented. Jeff Schwartzkopf moved to approve the budget; motion seconded; motion carried. (2) Warren Varley provided information regarding the annual tax return filing and IRS determination regarding tax-exempt status. Loretta Sloss moved to authorize Kristy Lonsdale to sign the 2019 return, as she was president at the time the return was due, and to authorize payment of Varley Law Office invoice of \$101 for tax preparation. Motion seconded; motion carried.

Cheryl Marks moved that an inventory be prepared of Chamber property in order to address storage needs. Motion seconded; motion carried.

Sam McIntosh moved that the community of Le Mars be contacted regarding their experience with the Main Street program and that Stuart send a delegation to Le Mars to learn more. Motion seconded; motion carried.

The next meeting will be on February 5, 2020. The meeting adjourned on a motion by Jeff Schwartzkopf.

Respectfully submitted,
Karen Varley, Secretary