

GCHS 2026 Board Meeting Minutes:

January

Wednesday, January 28th 2026 5:15–Schreiner Memorial Library

Call to Order: 5:16

- Present: Darren, Mary, Jackie, Geri, Cari, Megan, Hannah, Emily, John

Meet with any guests: [REDACTED]

- Matching donor
- Explanation of what we're doing to raise the money
 - Non State-Stateline grant
 - working through the process 250+ apps they are working through
 - grant writing team
 - fundraising team brainstorming ideas
 - Ted and Helen Anderson
 - Reach out to Best Friends Organization for resources
 - Peg/Ted Haskins
 - Teri Abing
 - Jesse Jones / Marcia Courts- Platteville Library
 - Platteville Donor Boards- trail, pool, playground and pull names off
 - Inspiring Community- waiting to hear from Barb Dawes
 - Every 100,000 we do a push/splash
 - Radio Spot donated from Queen B for one spot
 - Megan reach out for information
 - Community Fund again
 - Look into Kaiser Foundation - something to apply to
 - Ronald McDonald Foundation
 - Woodward Foundation 2x2 Foundation?

Review Minutes/Secretary Report : Megan - Approved

1. Volunteer Report: Megan

- a. Same as usual
- b. Hannah talked to a company that might be reaching out to us
- c. Send out donations to Newsletter and Volunteer List- Before Valentine's Day
- d. Mass Emailing
- e. Add number to thermometer

2. Treasurer's Report: Geri

- a. Match: ~\$70,000 currently
- b. People's Building Fund: \$85,768.51
- c. Clare Bank - (Operational) - \$9,293.59
 - i. \$500,000 certificates currently at Clare
- d. Erin/Sam- Accounting- no status change or anything to do until summer
 - i. Sarah Fisher-CLA- good to move ahead
 - ii. Cari/Hannah reach out for breakdown of price and why so high
- e. Property Tax form- even years we need to fill out to get taxes waived-
 - i. has been received and will be approved

John Myers—building update

- Check "Open" status on Facebook- confusing people?
- Cintas wants to supply cleaning supplies, rugs, trash cans, etc
 - not their service at this time, but see about donation
- 10 Computers/11 Phones - Cat 5 can run both phone and computer
 - Budget? Run Cat 5 through the ceiling
 - \$500/computer
 - \$100/phone
 - Cabling- couple boxes
 - Wireless throughout -WiFi Access Point (12-13)

3. Director's Report/Unfinished Business:

- a. QueenB Radio ad donated by MidWest Bank of Platteville—WHEN should we use this?
 - i. Megan reach out to find out more
- b. Year end 2025 animal numbers.
- c. Edward Jones and Square year end
 - i. year end donations- given to us in form of donations
 - ii. currently have one for \$12000
 - iii. Square summary:

- iv. not used towards match because currently growing
- d. Job Description for website for director and your idea/vision of what a staff will look like
 - i. SEPARATE MEETING
- e. Long term animals and seeing if we can transfer to other humane societies
 - i. Set up contracts with other shelters to go forward
 - ii. Two-weeks time limit
 - 1. Megan
 - 2. Motion to transfer animals- Hannah, Second: Hannah
- f. Mary wants to set up at public events with the blueprints and just talk about the plans for the future
- g. Take cash box donations to:
 - i. Copper Dome
 - ii. Country Kitchen
 - iii. Walgreens
 - iv. Fennimore Vet
 - v. Jar to Momentum

Thoughts:

Check into the UW for anything they could do, as part of a partnership for future?

Culver's Foundation

Businesses in Platteville to donate part of profits for amount of time

Backroad Bar/Rice is Nice/Yoder's- Truck-they do fundraising

Shopping News-\$65/5 animals listed- Forever Homes Pet Page

Questions and comments from Board:

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February

Wednesday, February 25th 2026 5:15–Schreiner Memorial Library

Call to Order: 5:13

- Present: Darren, Geri, Cari, Mary, Jackie, Megan, Jon

Meet with any guests: None

Review Minutes/Secretary Report : Megan

Motion to approve- Jackie, Darren-Second

1. Volunteer Report: Megan
2. Treasurer's Report: Geri
 - a. Community State: \$12, 228.73
 - b. Peoples State-Building- \$101,461.49
 - c. Heating bill went down this past month
 - d. Donation Boxes- Add Jackie's boxes to the list, send out thank yous at the end of the year
 - e. Can get more boxes for more places - smaller ones

John Myers—building update—

- Epoxy sample of floor
- Windows in the doors done
- Insurance email about the roof- they were just checking in. John will touch base with Steve to make sure we are on the top of the list
- Plumber been in and putting pipe in today
- Some cables buried in the cement to "hold" the building down, but some are getting cut
- In/out doors for kennels- see about using a grant to get financed
 - make up a system ourself? Look into different styles, etc.
- 2/3 air exchange unit hung
- Cari reapplied for Property Tax exemption- done and in process of review

3. Director's Report/Unfinished Business:

- a. Cabaret
 - i. GCHS Presents the 1st Annual Variety Show: "Unleashed: A Night of Talent"
 - ii. late summer/early fall
 - iii. 15-30 acts each 3-5 min long
 - iv. multiple locations interested
- b. Fundraising
 - i. Badly Drawn Pet- run again this year
 - ii. Mound City Bank- social media post write up needs to be approved before going online **DONE**
 - iii. Piggly Wiggly -Round Up- waiting on graphic
 1. once a week- have a table set up with presentation
 2. Get Mary the PowerPoint Presentation- MEGAN **DONE**
 - iv. Mary brought in a couple articles in the paper about grants
- c. Director

- i. Est. start date
 - 1. By June/July 31st we will have raised over 1 million
 - a. Q1 2027
 - b. Looking at mid summer for beginning to hire/talk seriously about it
 - ii. Salary
 - 1. Megan and Darren will be removed from that conversation since Megan is planning on applying for position, potentially Cari?
 - iii. Need payroll processing company before anyone hired
 - 1. Quickbooks - Geri?
 - iv. Clear responsibilities between Board vs. Director
 - v. GCHS email domain
 - vi. Start seriously thinking about hiring late summer, for a potential start date around 1st of the year.
- d. Megan comments
- i. Queen B - get more information - MEGAN - use for director position
 - ii. Look into Kaiser Foundation/Try Community Fund Again/Ronald McDonald Foundation - CARI—done(McDonald's does not donate to animal shelter. Working on Kaiser
 - 1. Cari going to put packet together to mail directly, need to have a person from grant recommend the organization to be considered **DONE**
 - GRANT/INCOME GENERATION
 - Anderson Family thinking about donation
 - Packer grant going out for surgery suite- animals only in 2026, not again until 2030
 - Asking for more air clarifying units from Lancaster, PetFinder for Catio, Platteville more asked too—**GROOM ROOM ITEMS**
 - Community First Bank- Mary sent something out will be reviewed in April
 - Send out thermometer to Volunteer and Newsletter List - MEGAN-DONE
 - Applied Micro Estimates - DARREN
 - Radioshack also said they can do it
 - Applied Micro will get quotes on phones, computers, cameras
 - Can run cable even before end if not capped off
 - Get quote from both places

- Animal Transfers - MEGAN AND MARY - DONE
- Donation Boxes - Everyone - DONE - Megan ordered more, so update the list of where they all are
- Jackie suggested looking at Leibfried Feed n Seed for sponsorship/donation
- Darren/Megan look into donations/financial options from Dupaco
- Megan waiting for graphic from Piggly Wiggly to share the round up campaign they are working on

Questions and comments from Board:

Adjourn: 6:28 pm

Motion: Darren

Second: Mary

March

Wednesday March 25th 5:15 Schreiner Memorial Library

Wednesday, March 25th 2026 5:15—Schreiner Memorial Library

Call to Order: 5:11 pm

- Present: Darren, Mary, John, Geri, Cari, Hannah, Megan, Emily, Jackie

Meet with any guests:

Review Minutes/Secretary Report : Megan

Motion to approve: Hannah / Second: Geri

1. Volunteer Report: Megan
 - a. No change
 - b. Girl came in for customer service/volunteer for two days and helped socialize cats and built the cat wheel
2. Treasurer's Report: Geri
 - a. Community State: \$13,800.01
 - b. Peoples State-Building- \$147,835.27
 - c. Donation Boxes- Mary going to switch 3 around for April
 - d. Can get more boxes for more places - Midway

- e. Right around as \$147,000 raised so far
 - i. Will get in touch with Schacht Fund to see how we get the money
 - ii. \$3100 raised from High Vibe Fitness 5K St. Paddys' Run
 - As of today we've raised \$150,000
 - (already including Live Like Cam money)

John Myers—building update

- Plumbers and heating guy were there today
- Heating duct work almost all done
- moving along

Computer Quote from Applied Micro for computers/phones/cameras

- Get phones everywhere
- Computers in spots as they are needed,
 - Dog/Cat intake, Directors building, front desk (1-2), Surgery, community room
- Darren talk to Applied Micro about putting a deposit down to hold the "quote"
- 2 licenses for Office 360 for Teams- goes per account, will add as needed- for phones
- Darren and Scott going to run initial cabling next week

Haven't heard from RadioShack yet, multiple attempts to contact

Director's Report/Unfinished Business:

- f. Fundraising
 - i. Badly Drawn Pet- small turn out this year
 - ii. Piggly Wiggly -Round Up- waiting on graphic
- g. Director
 - i. Marine Credit Union Fund raiser
 - 1. We went and sat at Bank- Mary volunteer to help
 - a. June, no date yet
 - ii. Night on the Square—I signed us up with American Family Insurance for a fundraiser- joint- Cari will work on
 - 1. July 16
 - iii. Balloons by Kevin
 - 1. Balloon animals
 - 2. will promote our organization as fundraiser
 - 3. there is a cost with it
 - 4. discuss further

5. Thrivent deal- ACH investments to be pushed into bank account- Geri got sent out today
- h. Made motion via GCHS messenger to have Darren get cabling for \$165.98 to start running for computers, cameras, phones. Jackie started, Hannah yes, Molly second and yes—Missy, Megan,
 - i. Cabling for the building—Darren
 1. Get Geri the receipt, may need one more box, will determine once cabling starts running, can pick up if needed
- i. Donation and thank you from Mary Groener for \$50,000 - done
- j. Mary Bird and where she is asking
 - i. Saturday - Paws Sips and Sweets
 1. Elite Canine, Cake and Eat it Too, Backroad Bar
 2. Piggly Wiggly Ends on Tuesday
 - a. shortly after we should find out how much
 3. Kiwanis did a grant for us
 - a. Grooming tub, surgical tub
 - b. will be submitted by 31st
 4. Platteville Culver's
 - a. Renovating restaurant in August
 - b. Willing to help once the Reno funds are allocated
 5. Taco John's
 6. Runde Auto Group
 - a. \$2500 each month to different group
 7. Lowe's Grant
 - a. barely made cut because of location
- k. 400 student group to come help do landscaping
 - i. Cari has email from Mary
 - ii. Pioneer Spring Cleanup
 - iii. April 18
 - iv. Submit project by April 10 for approval
 - v. Students can spend up to 3 hours cleaning up the landscaping
- l. More asks I have ready to go.
 - i. Cari ready to go with some more asks
 - ii. going to spread them out so they have couple big splashes through the whole fundraising process
- m. In the papers and on WGLR this week with updates—LVC will cover half if we can cover the other?
 - i. WGLR all about talking about big match
 - ii. No responses from papers, Cari will check spam
- n. Excel—boxes, grants, donations

- i. Grants Excel sheet
 - ii. Donation excel sheet
 - iii. Donation box excel sheet
- o. V-tech—we will cancel it and it will not save back our data. Will not be accessible. We are making hard copy files of each animal going back 5 years to send when we move.
 - i. Record keeping needs to back up for past 5 years
 - ii. Something to think about maybe fixing sooner rather than later
- p. Reptile cage
 - i. offer to us
 - ii. for us to either use at the building or auction off
 - iii. we will take

Adjourn: 6:08 pm- Mary, Second: Geri

Wednesday April 22th 5:15 Schreiner Memorial Library

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April

Call to Order: 5:15am

- Present: Darren, Jackie, Jon, Mary, Geri, Cari, Megan

Meet with any guests:

Review Minutes/Secretary Report : Megan

Motion to approve: Geri

Second: Mary

All aye

1. Volunteer Report: Megan
2. Treasurer's Report: Geri
 - a. Community State: \$13,568.26
 - b. Peoples State-Building- \$235,004.99
 - c. Donation Boxes- update excel sheet
 - d. Can get more boxes for more places -
 - e. Refund to Cari for QR code and Cat condo
 - i. will get receipts to Cari for reimbursement

- f. Still have 5 CD's- haven't had to dig into them yet

John Myers—building update

- Plumber is out and done, floor is cemented
- mason has put up all the cement blocks for the kennels, will be done tomorrow
- Next Monday, interior walls will be up
- Things are moving fast
- Estimates for parking lot - Pickett's Sealcoating
 - Asphalt overlay front and back- \$103,000
 - Tear out and replace - \$114,000
 - Check who Piggly Wiggly used- get estimates from them
 - Geri might have contact for other companies
- Plumbing Bill- \$41,000
- Group of students/athletes from Platteville- out Saturday to clean
- Electrician looking into a set of wires- is it hot?
- Design group at UW to design landscaping- to check into for next year
- We need a mailbox- don't have one
 - Cari call post office or forward to the clinic
 - Need PO Box for future
 - Night deposit but for donations on the building

Darren Wilson—building update

- Need to sort out where cameras are going to to run that cable
- Stopped in to Applied Micro - Trish said they would honor the estimate for extended amount of time as long as market doesn't go crazy
- Go over where to run the cables for the cameras for future proofing
- discussed cameras being able to alert services like Fire/Police
- smoke detectors?
 - Check into the regulations/current status
- Darren going to go back to Applied to get infrastructure stuff going
 - Rack, etc
 - will get estimate for just that stuff and email for vote, approval

Director's Report/Unfinished Business:

- g. Fundraising
 - i. Badly Drawn Pet
 - 1. 4 donations- Youngest Wilson child will draw
- h. Director
 - i. Marine Credit Union Fundraiser - Wednesday June 10
 - ii. Night on the Square—I signed us up with American Family Insurance for a fundraiser.
 - iii. Sent FAF Fennimore \$6000 Grant—Angie and Brianna working on the foundations grants Platteville \$3400 (table or surgical light) and Lancaster -\$100,000
 - 1. endowment grants, out this week
- i. Mary Bird and where she is asking
- j. Midway Bar and Grill-
 - i. further/end of summer- guest bartender
 - ii. food specials
 - iii. silent auction items
 - iv. Cari will talk to them to set up date - August 15th 2-9
 - v. we would be responsible for advertising
 - vi. grill outside?
 - vii. Have dogs show up
- k. TH doing an article
 - i. Sunday printed
- l. V-tech—we are done and in compliance
 - i. 7 years back for documentation for every animal that have come in/gone out
- m. Reptile cage delivered
- n. Garage things are piling up already. Nice!
- o. Audit underway—I did NOT put my information into their secure system...needed an app for my phone and my contact information
 - i. 2026 paperwork, documents need to be sorted
 - ii. invoices from grants, monies coming in
 - iii. 3 people from CLA, Cari and Geri and from Honkamp (Erin and Sam)
 - iv. Documents in by end of June- CLA wants to meet with board at some point
 - v. How much can we have sitting in bank account as non-profit before needs to be moved to endowment
 - 1. Cari will check
 - vi. \$500-1mil audit will be reviewed next year and following years

- p. Hiring. Thoughts?
 - i. looking at end of July
 - ii. Payroll needed to be done
 - iii. \$60,000-Director - Salary
 - iv. Volunteer Coordinator/Fundraiser Coordinator- Salary \$40,000
 - v. Kennel Manager (CVT) -FT -\$25/hour
 - vi. 3-4 paid kennel staff \$15/hour
 - vii. All depends on budget
 - viii. Healthcare problems- coordinated between Director/Kennel Manager
 - ix. \$175,000-\$200,000/payroll/year
 - x. Quickbooks Payroll
 - 1. Keep accountant- good idea
- q. Parking lot estimate
 - i. see above
- r. Megan hoping to have more information on Variety Show for next meeting
 - i. Contact just had eye surgery
 - ii. Hannah and Megan will work on more

Further discussion

–garage sale

–questions

Adjourn: 6:24 Jackie, Darren

Wednesday May 27th 5:15 Schreiner Memorial Library

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May

Call to Order: 5:13pm

- Present: Jackie, Mary, John, Geri, Cari, Megan, Darren, Hannah (late)

Meet with any guests: None

Review Minutes/Secretary Report : Megan

Motion to approve Mary/Darren

1. Volunteer Report: Megan
 - a. No changes
2. Treasurer's Report: Geri
 - a. Community State:\$15326.38
 - i. small account with \$100ish- ok to close and move funds over
 1. Motion to close- Jackie/Darren
 - b. Peoples State-Building- \$76,784.11
 - i. large electric bill coming due
 - c. \$500,000 in CD's
 - i. Coming due in August
 - d. Match at just under \$150,000
 - e. SW WI Endowment-
 - i. can move money at any time any amount into endowment, just need documentation
 - ii. waiting for someone to get Cari purchase document to send to CLA audit
 - iii. Cari look into Midwest Titling for purchaser agreement
 - f. Donation Boxes-
 - i. box from Copper Dome
 - ii. pull box from Fennimore Vet Clinic
 - iii. collect to redistribute

John Myers—building update

- Painting away
- need to update tax exempt with Sherwin Williams
- Heating/Plumbing/Electric there getting stuff done
- couple weeks can start drywall- that's the hope
 - Ramos Drywall- out of Platteville
- Midmark- discussion about the front of the kennels
 - Doug and Crystal
 - email with estimates (will send out to rest of the board)
 - doors for all the dog kennels, plus insert dog kennels, tub, surgery light, surgery table all included in the estimate
 - picture of the design will be in the email
- Glass front vs chain link- utilize sound control panels on top of the kennel and across. Concern is air movement, humidity

- how to have it make the most sense to cut down on sound, humidity, etc.
- 10 weeks from order date to get them fabricated according to Midmark
- Concern with dimensions that Midmark provided
- will shelf until email goes out for us all to see the actual design

Darren Wilson—building update

- Will plan on running cable get done in the next couple weeks
- Will reach out to Applied Micro for last number of supplies

Director's Report/Unfinished Business:

g. Fundraising

- Online fundraiser
- Wednesday the 10th- Marine Bank
 - Megan will post online
- Variety Show- still very much in the works- will have more updates soon

h. Director

- Keep line of credit???
 - Clare- keep open as "just in case"
 - doesn't cost us anything
 - ALL in agree to keep open
- Sent email to Wyatt and Sara at CFSW
- PCA and reclamation issue—see emails.
 - Platteville Community Arboretum
 - want 0.15 acres reclamation- as prairie
 - At some point in process of purchasing they showed us area on our property that they wanted to use
 - last year part of it got mowed over
 - this year they put all sorts of signs up to not mow
 - Want to know if they can continue to do it
 - adverse use law- if we let them use it and don't follow up with paperwork- after 20 years they have right to it
 - Have too many plans for the property for the future-
 - Board elects to not pursue an agreement, but would be willing to discuss if they want to purchase part of the land
 - Motion: Cari will go back to PCA and say that at this point we are going to respectfully ask them not to

pursue unless they want to discuss purchasing part of the land from us.

i. Geri/Hannah- motion to approve and second

- iv. Go over bylaws again—provided via email to board
 - 1. Cari will send out and we will discuss next time
- v. Guest Bartender new date- August 15th
 - 1. Cari can't be there
 - 2. 2-9pm
 - 3. @ Midway Bar
 - 4. Animals can come but they have to outside
 - 5. donations for silent auction items
 - 6. will keep the date, and make volunteers work
- vi. West Bend board of directors insurance
 - 1. Need to be insured, for events
 - 2. so that the board is not liable
- vii. Update on grants etc.
 - 1. St. Croix for \$3000
 - 2. didn't get Fennimore, Platteville or Lancaster
- viii. Update on goings on at the clinic—Jill
- ix. Email from someone wanting to rent space from us
 - 1. no- at this time
- x. Fire inspection has been cleared

Further discussion

—garage sale

- Geri going to Fair Board
- ok to stop at the building if they want to see progress
- Cari willing to do official tour if they want

—questions

Adjourn: 6:19 PM- Motion: Hannah, Jackie

Wednesday May 27th 5:15 Schreiner Memorial Library

June

Wednesday, June 24th 2026 5:15—Schreiner Memorial Library

Call to Order: 5:14 pm

- Present: Geri, Cari, Jon, Jackie, Mary, Darren, Megan, Hannah

Meet with any guests:

Review Minutes/Secretary Report : Megan

Motion to approve: Geri Second: Darren

1. Volunteer Report: Megan
 - a. Still coming in
2. Treasurer's Report: Geri
 - a. Community State: \$9742.95
 - b. Peoples State-Building- \$99622.95
 - c. CLA and audit
 - d. CD in Clare: \$500,000 [REDACTED] donation
 - e. CD in People's: \$500,000 [REDACTED] donation
 - i. 18 month CD- talked to Cody
 - ii. compounds every 6 months

John Myers—building update—d/c on doors of the dog kennels

- Hanging drywall- close to finished, maybe even out of there by end of next week
- than start painting, floor tile, all subs except for heating is done
 - have Iverson's out to look at driveway, get estimate
 - will be one of the last things to happen- eta: September
- garage plotted out where it's going to, with pricing - [REDACTED] e donation will be sufficient to finish building, garage, driveway with 2 years of operating costs
- Washer/dryer- in lobby, not commercial, so back end draining, installer says just do two stand pipes and will still work
- zoom meeting with Midmark- still waiting for some information from them
 - Order the pre-fab ones? - \$38,000 for the set
 - Guillotine doors
 - Can take 10-12 weeks for them to arrive
 - 6x4ft space required for large dog legally
 - *will wait for prices and vote accordingly*
 - Haven't come to decision on kennel doors yet
 - Midmark coming up with a combo door to show us

- will revamp and get back to us

Darren Wilson—building update

- Two more rooms to run cable through the ceiling- front office/kitchen and back office
- Will get in touch with Trish - Applied Micro to get hardware
- Bill from Applied Micro- Darren will look more into that

Director's Report/Unfinished Business:

f. Fundraising

- Talent show—where we stand, cans, boxes, bank events, Night on the Square with American State Farm
- Update on talent show
 - Board will do an act!
 - Schaffer skit as well
 - Clinic skit
 - Theater fee waived, ticket prices will come to GCHS, concessions will be available but will be used to pay theater staff
 - Will have some costs from Grantland Graphics for program/marketing material
 - Discussed getting sponsors
 - Will have a better idea of volunteer needs after auditions
 - Set for SEPTEMBER 14-7pm
- Night on the Square - Courthouse lawn
 - American State Farm- booth with animals
 - With Brad - reached out to Amy Dreckman for shirts, Megan send logos/photos of what is on ours
 - Intentional Promotions- look into
 - engraving
 - Amy Dreckman
 - Megan look at bulk prices through online store
 - Other store options to look into for the future
 - Cari look at Fennimore and Lancaster place

g. Director

- Keep line of credit—We renewed this.- DONE
- What do we want to do about hiring staff? Open it up on FB, Linked in, how many do we need and want to get applications for
 - Separate meeting to go over job descriptions
 - Jackie, Geri, Cari and Darren

- b. Any other board members who want be involved reach out to Cari
 - c. Come up with job descriptions and then figuring out hiring plan from there
- iii. With above—software, when Jill gets back LVC is done with soft GCHS is using.
 - 1. Preliminary list of software programs
 - 2. look into contract commitments
 - 3. how to do backups- Cloud vs Local
 - 4. LVC staff will play with the free trials
- iv. Cans—Jackie - Platteville Bin
 - 1. Taking to Belmont
 - 2. Wilson truck available
- v. Financial advisor meeting with Doug Rogers and us with new \$\$\$
 - 1. Meeting with Cari and whoever- to go over plans with money
- vi. Grant update—ASPCA, talking to Packer one again
- vii. Garage Sale—Geri
 - 1. ok'd by Fair Board
 - 2. Committee needed to start going over details
 - 3. Mary can start coming in to price
- viii. Sent email to Wyatt and Sara at CFSW—continuing to look at options for fundraiser—Give update
 - 1. money into CD's
 - 2. See treasurer's report above
- ix. PCA—how it resolved
 - 1. Platteville Community Arboretum Group- Robin Fatzinger discussed with Cari-
 - a. haven't gotten back about financial compensation
 - b. resolved
- x. Go over bylaws again—provided via email to board
 - 1. in email
 - 2. might need to adjust for future-proofing
 - a. separate meeting to hash out
 - i. send out options for a meeting in email for best time
 - ii. poll on facebook chat for meeting date-Megan
 - 3. Matt Jacopelli- attorney to look into/work into
- xi. Update on goings on at the clinic—Jill
- xii. Audit-
 - 1. is a go for 2025 since we reached the money limit to come in

2. email needs to be updated- Cari/Geri will work on
3. going well, easy and great to work with
4. Geri- asked will they file taxes for us or do we still have to.
Cari will ask the next time she talks to them
 - a. Goal: is to say that up to now everything has been above board and no problems!
- xiii. Soap dispensers at new building - Mary
 1. commercial, stainless steel from \$31.99 from Amazon
 - a. Mary/Megan work with Amazon wish list
 2. paper towel refills
- xiv. Cat Condo- Scott Bud- use remaining grant money from Packer Grant to buy more
 1. \$200 to build, so buy more

Further discussion

- garage sale
- questions

Adjourn: 6:07 Jackie, Mary- all aye

Wednesday July 22nd 5:15 Schreiner Memorial Library

JULY

July, 29th 2026: Schreiner Memorial Library, Lancaster

Call to Order: 5:15 pm

- Present: Darren, Mary, Geri, Cari, Jackie, Megan

Meet with any guests:

Review Minutes/Secretary Report : Megan

Motion to approve Jackie Second: Darren- All aye

1. Volunteer Report: Megan
2. Treasurer's Report: Geri
 - a. Community State-Operating- \$11188.98
 - b. Peoples State-Building- \$447471.36

- i. 4- 125,000 CDs currently, not matured yet
- c. Donation Boxes-
- d. Clare Bank \$500,000
 - i. CD's- when go to renew, take the interest out and move to building account to help with the audit
 - ii. All ok with it

John Myers—building update

- Working on tile, painting is pretty much done
- pouring foundation for garage tomorrow
- need to paint the door frames still that have to be ordered

Darren Wilson—building update

- Applied Micro- first half of the infrastructure
 - switch, patch panel, short pre-made cables, router, rack enclosure, 16 network cameras and access points
- Quote will remain active despite expiration date on the estimate
- due to prices of the way electronics are moving go forward will purchasing the computers at this time to before prices skyrocket
 - Darren will reach out to Tricia for a quote with the remaining computer/electronic parts
 - Plan is to have both Darren and Applied available for maintenance
 - Motion to approve purchasing components for networking/internet infrastructure from Applied Micro- Motion to approve: Jackie, Second: Hannah - All yea
- wires have mostly all been run
- Look into fiber internet in Platteville for ISP options - Darren
- Microsoft accounts do have a non-profit grant available for pricing

Director's Report/Unfinished Business:

- e. Fundraising
 - i. Variety Show
 - 1. chugging along
 - 2. estimating about an hour show
 - 3. 10 ish acts
 - 4. Need to know by next meeting if the board is going to do an act
- f. Director
 - i. Did get CFSW Lancaster Grant for HVAC Unit for Dog area
 - ii. Sara at Steve's Hardware landscaping—go over designs and cost

1. Preliminary looked cool
2. Geri currently working on it some more
- iii. Parking Lot—two bids Picket and Iverson
 1. comparable and similar
 2. Iverson is local, Picket is from out of town
 3. Motion to accept parking lot bid from Iverson: Motion to approve: Megan Second: Geri - All aye
- iv. By Law changes
 1. Further meeting
 2. Matt Jacopelli attorney support.
 3. added ethics clause
 4. changed a lot of wording to make more understandable
 5. adding a finance committee separate of board
 - a. overseen by the Board
 - b. will deal with booking, payroll, budget
 - c. min. 5 members
 - d. Will get approved via email
- v. Hiring process
 1. Results from committee
 - a. meet again after descriptions are streamlined - Cari will set up
 2. My thoughts on where to place ad
 3. Formalized committee that will hire
 4. Mary put together a spreadsheet the breaks things down into a budget
 - a. Cari will scan and email to Board
- vi. CLA Audit
 1. not going bad, it's just a lot to gather and have to have done
 2. Roofing company - we need to find invoice for \$20,000
- vii. Agree to let Alexis Brown know her spot has been retired.
 1. All in favor
- viii. Discuss potential new board members
 1. need to push for more
- ix. Changing Date of Guest Barkeeper at Midway
 1. Cari call about October date
- x. Two-By-Two Barnyard Bash—3 spots available. Skippy
 1. program with Kristen Woodward- wants to invite us
 2. non-profit organization where they go into communities to discuss stewardship for animals, animal care education, etc.
 3. need to know by tomorrow if anyone is interested

4. August 6th in Dubuque
 5. Cari is going
- xi. Board to start thinking about “adopt out as defined by board” to have standards set and laid out
1. application streamlined
 2. what to include

Further discussion

- garage sale
- questions

Adjourn: 6:06 Call to End: Darren, Mary

Wednesday Aug 26th 5:15 Schreiner Memorial Library