**Call to order:** Johncalled the meeting to order at 7:30 AM

**Roll call: Present:** Laurel Driskell, Stephanie Gillig, Hank Boyer, Matt Pestinger, Cassie Streit, Aaron Wedel, Michelle Peck, John Reber, Mike Wilson, Stephanie Anderson, Tim Blake

**Absent** Kelli Webb

**SDI:** Leslie Bishop, Dian Gebhardt, April Rickman

**Approval of agenda:**

Agenda approved.

January minutes and Financial Reports – Moved and 2nd.

**Action Items:**

* Façade Request for Prairie Land - $15,000 was moved and seconded by Cassie and Hank – board approved.
* CD Sweep acct. @ 4% with FBK - was moved and seconded – board approved. John will contact FBK.
* SDI Staff medical reimbursement – it was board approved for Leslie, April & Dian to receive $2500.00 to go towards personal medical expenses. The office is not eligible for an HRA account.
* Farmers Market Grant – it was board approved for SDI to hire Brittany Miller to explore a Federal Grant for the farmers’ market. It is requested that Brittany not go over hours in the grant research.

**Director:** Leslie

* The downtown Salina gift certificates are not set up as a Liability on our financials because the certificates are written directly from our bank account, and it is reflected in cash not liability to offset the expense.
* We have 7 vendors for the Farm & Art Market Downtown
* Kansas Main Street quarterly training begins, and Leslie will be going to Topeka Feb 20-21, 2024.
* SDI partners: all our turquoise partners renewed their partnership with SDI. We added three new partners, Ponton construction, Great Plains & Haley Helzer & JAB it increased their partnership level.
* Leslie did a podcast with King & the Community. Leslie will be speaking at the morning Ambucs on Mar 1st.
* SDI goes before the Planning & Zoning committee on March 19th re: the farmer’s market.
* The lights in the trees that line Santa Fe will be removed Feb 21st.

**Programming:** April

* Cocoa Crawl is Feb 16, 2024, with 12 crawl stops. Cocoa crawl is also the kickoff of our Shop Small Bingo.
* We are not doing the Equifest Story walk this year. Equifest wanted to use the same book we have used for the last two years.

**Aesthetics Report**: Dian

* Dian attended a farmer’s market workshop in Hutchinson 2/10/24.
* The SDI truck was serviced.
* Spring Spruce up is April 27, 2024, 8-12:00

**Meeting Adjourned 8:30**

**Next SDI Board meeting Thursday, March 21, 2024, 7:30 am at the SDI office 134 S Santa Fe Suite 120**