Wayne Dennis Foundation Committee Meeting

February 1, 2024 Conference Room at PrairieLand Partners LLC 4:30 pm

Present: Chairman Alfreda Myers, Secretary Linda Francis, Members, Susan Croft, Megan McCaslin, Brad Davis, and Vernonica Larcom.

Guest: Bill Moyer with the Anthony Tree Board and his wife Sue.

Items up for review: Request from Little Lambs Daycare for \$750 - \$1400
Request from Anthony Tree Board for up to \$25,000

New committee member Brad Davis was introduced. Discussion was held regarding finding at least one more person to serve on the committee. Chairman Alfreda Myers suggested Ryan Cashier. It was decided that Alfreda would contact Ryan about serving.

Bill Moyer was introduced and presented the Anthony Tree Board's proposal to install up to 20 planters along main street as a beautification project. The cost of constructing planters was estimated at \$1000 per planter with an additional cost for trees. As trees matured they would be relocated to area parks or lake areas. After his presentation Mr. and Mrs. Moyer left the meeting. Further discussion was held and Member Susan Croft made the motion to donate \$8000 towards this project. Motion was seconded by Member Megan McCaslin. It was the unanimous vote of the committee to award \$8000 to the Anthony Tree Board to begin the project of planter boxes along main street. Receipts for all purchases are to be presented to the City for payment.

Discussion was held about the request from Little Lambs Daycare. The importance of daycare was acknowledged, however, it was determined that the request did not meet the guidelines set forth in the Wayne Dennis Foundation. Request was denied.

Chairman Alfreda Myers will report back to the City with the committee's decisions.

As there were no other requests, the meeting was adjourned at 5:30 pm.

Respectully submitted February 2, 2024 – Secretary Linda K. Francis