

HITCHCOCK COUNTY VISITOR COMMITTEE

May 21, 2013

Present: Carol Schlegel, Janet Felt, John Leahy, Valerie Rogers, Jessica McKinney

Carol Schlegel noted the Open Meetings Act available on the wall.

Introductions were made by each volunteer.

Officers were elected as follows:

Carol Schlegel-Chair

John Leahy- Vice Chair

Jessica McKinney-Secretary

Motion made by Schlegel to accept offices. Seconded by Leahy. Aye: All

Felt mentioned area in By-Laws that refer to Red Willow County. Schlegel will make changes and also points out committee member attendance requirements. Schlegel also made a suggestion to add to by-laws to require that committee members must either reside in Hitchcock County or be affiliated with lodging in the county to be a member. All agreed, Schlegel will make changes to be voted into by-laws at a later date.

Date of next meeting set for June 18, 2013 at courthouse again. Meetings will then be every 3rd Tuesday of the month at 2:00.

Schlegel asks for suggestions or ideas. Leahy would like to see a pamphlet made. Schlegel mentions websites as well as possibly a Facebook page or a free standing website. Leahy thought it would be helpful to piggyback a off another site such as Nebraska Game and Parks and add a link to tourism. Schlegel also suggests Barn Quilt Trail, QR Codes, and wildlife attractions. Rogers suggested stargazing.

Felt asked about the Tourism Assessment Program in folder. Schlegel asked each member to complete these forms for their respected communities and bring them back next meeting. Everyone is to complete the Tourism and Community Services section for their community or area. Janet will cover Stratton, John will do Trenton, Jessica is responsible for Palisade, Carol will cover Culbertson and Valerie will take care of the rural parts of the county including Swanson Reservoir.

Meeting adjourned 4:17

Chair

Secretary