

ELID Meeting Minutes  
Date: 4/23//2024 Zoom Meeting

Attendance: Ken Andreen, Mike Donnelly, Sandy McClurg

Absent: Brian Moriarity, Joe Ryan

Meeting was called to order by Ken Andreen at 6:05 p.m.

**Legal Representation:** The county has asked/required that we obtain legal representation to communicate with their legal representation regarding the possible loan to ELID from the county. This unexpected expense was discussed at length and it was determined that we really have no choice as the county is requiring it. We discussed trying to find an ELID member who might represent us pro-bono, but none of us had any leads for this and we do have a time constraint as we need representation ASAP. Michael Couri (Couri and Ruppe) was recommended to us by Paul Ellinger and Bryan Adams as he has experience in this area. Mike made a motion to approve hiring Michael Couri as our representation at a rate of \$285.00 per hour with a cap of \$2000.00 at this time. In addition, Ken will ask that we be consulted and allowed to do any simple paperwork or legwork to keep expenses down. Sandy seconded the motion. Motion passed. Ken will also ask about billing procedures and will ask for recommendations from other LIDS Couri has represented.

**Bank Account:** Brian has talked with Old National Bank in Big Lake and we are able to get an account set up with our EIN even though the paperwork is still being corrected, as the EIN number will not change. We discussed the need for 2 signers on checks as a non-profit. Sandy made a motion to approve assigning the Treasurer (currently Brian Moriarity) and the Board Chair (currently Ken Andreen) as the signers. Mike seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Mike made a motion to adjourn. Sandy Seconded. Meeting was adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

