

**Rural Revival Minutes: March 28, 2022**  
**Freeman City Library**

**Directors Present:** Dennis Lehmann, S. Roy Kaufman, Brent Brockmueller, Dee Millar, Andre Eisenbeis

**Directors Absent:** Lillie Eisenbeis, Richard Ensz, Larry Eisenbeis

**Members Present:** Phillip Eisenbeis, Lyle Preheim, Tim Eisenbeis, Matt Stone, Dan Gering

**Guests Present:**

**Minutes:** Dee moved to accept the minutes, S. Roy seconded. Passed unanimously.

**Treasurer's Report:** Andre reported the current balance is \$6877.66. Last payment out of the account was the yearly membership to Freeman Community Development Corporation (FCDC).

**Committee Reports:**

1. Land Access
  - No report.
2. Local Foods
  - The Farmers Market is considering changing locations for the summer of 2022. The locations up for consideration are The Shopping Center parking lot, Arboretum, Lions Park and City Park. There have been 17 vendors with positive interest in being a vendor for the 2022 summer. Inquiry into signage from Printed Impressions for the Farmers Market and Rural Revival has been made.
3. Education
  - Lyle did a recap of Ben Brockmueller's presentation on March 21st about organic farming and minimal tillage. Discussion was had about Ben presenting at a later date. There was interest in possibly having a few speakers come in to talk on the subject minimal tillage. The timing of this event is being discussed for late summer (before harvest) or late fall (after harvest)

**Other:**

- S. Roy announced that the Central Plains Mennonite Conference will be in Freeman June 17-19. S. Roy will lead a workshop at the conference to share about what Rural Revival is doing in Freeman and possibly how it can translate to other communities. There will also be some farm tours during the conference. Others from Rural Revival are welcome to participate as well.
- Brent gave an update that the application for federal 501(c)(3) status was withdrawn. The IRS agent informed Brent that the application would be denied if it wasn't withdrawn. The only difference is a denied application is a matter of public record.
- Matt Stone shared that a meat processor is being developed in our region. More details at this time are not available.

**Adjournment:** Dee. made a motion to adjourn the meeting, S. Roy seconded, it passed unanimously, meeting adjourned. Next meeting: Monday, April 25, 2022

Respectfully submitted by Brent Brockmueller, secretary.