

## WCDC DIRECTOR'S REPORT March & April

**Grants:** Researching grants for the City of Allerton. Submitted a GRM grant to help with the cost for black, metal planters around the square.

**Walldog Culture Trail:** Replacement and location for the Lineville mural is still under discussion. Hopefully soon we will see the completed mural back on display.

### **Economic Development/Chamber:**

- **Sponsorship:** Lance and I have had a busy month attending city council meetings. We've received 100% support with positive feedback. Visit our website for a complete list of our cities and businesses that have given support.
- **Housing Development:** Kading is almost full! They have 2-3 bedroom, 2-bath homes for rent with another one opening up in September. I'm aware of a few rentals in town, if you know of anyone in need.
- **Veteran Outreach:** I had a call with Robert with Home Base of Iowa. One more step to complete (incentive package) and Wayne County will be listed on Home Base of Iowa for Veterans. I met with Joella and we made a list of potential items we could list as an incentive to a Veteran interested in moving to our county.
- **Rathbun Lake Visitor Guide:** I wrote an article for Wayne County. The article lists places to see and visit and dates for our county celebrations. The 2026 guide will be published within a few weeks

### **Upcoming Events:**

- **May 7th (7:30am): First Thursday Coffee Meeting.** Community Support Advocates will be a guest speaker. They service Wayne County and will discuss what services and support they offer our county residents.
- **May 8th (5:00 PM): Spring Fling & Farmer's Market Kickoff** featuring shopping, vendors, live music, a bag tournament at the Brick Event Center (food and drinks will be available to purchase).
- **May date TBD:** City of Corydon will set the new planters around the square, and move some of the existing cement ones to other areas around the square. Looking forward to having beautiful flowers planted by businesses and the Eden Garden Club.
- **May 12th:** WCDC board meeting at 8:00. Chamber meeting at 12:00. We would love to grow our Chamber members and presence at our meetings. If you have community thoughts on things you would like to see, please come support the chamber and share your ideas!

### **Meetings:**

- 2 Board of Supervisor meetings, WCDC board meeting, Chamber meeting, and a GRM mtg.
- 2 City Council meetings- Lineville and Allerton