



Sheet Harbour and Area Chamber of Commerce and Civic Affairs

General Meeting

Wed. June 5, 2019

Present: Dawn Howe-Power, Pewter Stein, Marilyn Munroe, Anthony Farris, Cathy Farris, Jim Bradley, Wendy MacKenzie, Candace MacKean, Richard Bell, Meryl Atkinson, Greg Cross, Brenda McInnis, Jack Marshall, Robert Moser, Tammy Hiltz, Amanda Fullerton, Wendy Cross, Penny Farris, Warren Parson, Randy Tilden, Susan Curt

Regrets: Ed, Lorraine and Wayne

Peter welcomed all and called the meeting to order at 7:04 pm.

Agenda was approved by Jim and Robert

Minutes from May 1st were approved by Randy and Cathy

No business arising from May 1st minutes

Treasurer's report: Peter reported that the \$8936.49 was made from the Banquet. He said that Lorraine is doing a wonderful job reconciling the books. She has contacted three different people to ask if they will do an audit on the Chambers books.

Committee/Activity Reports:

Marketing Committee update: Meryl reported that she took 1800 Sheet HarOUR rack cards to DEENS in Antigonish to be put in the VICs because there is no longer a distribution centre. She will take some to the airport next week. The website is being worked on and is coming along nicely. \$7500.00 was received from David Hensbee to pay for this.

Marina Committee: Cathy reported that the project is on a pause just waiting for an announcement. They meet with James Sampson from Millbrook and she sent off emails to Chief Bob Gloade and Band Manager Alex Cope to make sure they were still on board. The moorings will be going in asap. A diver will be hired to clean up the lines and make sure all is well.

Business Committee: Marilyn reported that the two spring courses are finishing up and will be completed on June 11th. No summer course and the fall courses will be announced once they are arranged. Classes will start on the 2nd Tuesday in September with instructor Jeff Brown.

Port Authority- Nothing new to report

Community Centre update: Greg reported that they are still working with Dept of Land and Forestry's to obtain land use. The project is moving forward, just waiting for funds.

Taylor Head update: Warren reported that the condition of the road and the park are their biggest concerns. They will be meeting soon with the government. They are closely watching what is going on in Lawrencetown. Check friendsoftaylorhead.com to see their schedule of activities.

Heritage Society update: Wendy reported that HRM supplied them with a dehumidifier. The computer that they were using is no longer useable, but she has a lead on another one. Jim, Peter and Wendy will get together to look at the insurance policy. Wendy feels she needs a letter from Chamber to be using the space in the MacPhee House.

High Speed internet: Ed reported that there is no information. He is waiting for replies to emails to Eastlink.

MPA update: Peter and Randy reported that the Chamber is going to stay neutral on this matter and that the community will decide. Randy feels that the Chamber staying neutral isn't going to set well with the community and that the people who are saying NO to the MPA its no period- its not going to happen and the people who are YES- are in favor to protect the environment and it will be good for tourism. DFO has made some mistakes and we need everyone at the table, we need to cooperate.

Banquet update: Peter reported that it was a great night, a great evening. Robert and Sandy Moser were recognized for their many years of service to the Chamber. There were 180 people in attendance and \$8936.49 was made.

MacPhee House: Jim reported that they have two provincial students that started last week. The VIC will open on June 12th. They will be doing interviews for the Canada Student Grant positions (3) this week. With five students they are hoping to extend the hours.

Additional items:

Membership: Peter is working on new forms and putting together a package to show new members the benefits of belonging to the Chamber.

Whale Sanctuary- The project is still actively looking at three sites. Another information session will be planned for mid-July.

Malay Falls Power Upgrade- The government has allotted \$30,000,000 for upgrades to power stations across Canada. \$280,000 was slated for the Malay Falls station. This will be used to remove lead pipes and upgrades to the system.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:07 pm by Penny Next meeting: September 4th at the Lions Centre

Respectfully Submitted by Dawn Howe-Power, June 6, 2019