

**BRUCE MINES AND AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE**

**Tuesday, March. 05, 2019 – Union Library – 8:00 A.M.**

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**Present:**

Michael Peever – Mike Peever Auctions  
Larry Peterson – Peterson & Peterson Law Firm  
Jim McCulloch – Retired Project Manager  
Gerry Bogart – Town Councillor  
Danielle Melmoth – Employment Solutions  
Bill Gunn – Fine Pine Things  
Mariola Morin – Real Estate Sales

**Regrets:**

Brian Torrance – Torrance Custom Interiors  
Pat Peterson – Bruce Bay Cottages & Lighthouse  
Jean Hershey – Rydal Bank Historical Society.  
Lois Hart – Registered Psychotherapist

**Call to Order:**

Mike Peever called the meeting to order at 8:05 a.m.

**March Minutes:**

**Motion:** Larry Peterson + Bill Gunn – that the minutes of Feb. 05, 2018 be approved – *carried*

**Financial report:**

**Motion:** Larry Peterson + Gerry Bogart that the financial report be approved – *carried*

**Membership:**

Larry Peterson membership fees are trickling in.

**Citizen of the Year:**

Larry Peterson reported that Connie Bennett was our Citizen of the Year on Fri. Feb. 22, 2019. This is not a profit-making event but truly an event to thank the Citizen for their decades of service and hard work. However, after all expenses were paid there was a small profit realized.

**Seedy Saturday:**

We need a volunteer who is willing to sit at a table to promote the Chamber at Seedy Saturday or other events. People don't mind taking on a project, but many do not like to attend meetings. Bill Gunn volunteered to attend a display table for the chamber at Seedy Saturday.

**Canada Day/Community Day:**

Town is looking into getting the barge and fireworks - \$5000.00 for 20 minutes of show. Jerry Bogart needs committee members and needs to develop a plan, contact resources and people with experience.

Another option is to contract out the complete event to an Event Organizer and get a written proposal a/s/a/p

**Rydal Bank Historical Society:**

Jean Hershey sent in the following report:

*Members of the Rydal Bank Historical Society will be attending a Webinar in Sault Ste. Marie, Ermatinger Heritage Site on Wed. March 5. Topic will be small museums and how to get their heritage collection out there.*

## **New Business:**

1. Fun on the Farm – Vern Bailey – Fri. March 15 and Sat. March 16 at Bruce Station Community Hall. It is a fund raiser for ARCH.

**Motion:** Mike Peever + Jim McCulloch that the Chamber donate \$150.00 to help sponsor this event – **carried**

2. The Chamber storage shed needs a Spring Cleaning. This could be discussed at the May meeting.
3. Rock & Mineral Tour – Bill Gunn and Keith Hoback – leaders in a popular geology tour – need support and sponsorship. A tentative rock trip maybe on Canada Day....a very small manageable event. It would be a good fit with the Simpson Mine Shaft. The Chamber can help with advertising and supports this idea. The Town has to be on board also as it owns and manages the Simpson Mine Shaft.

## **Next Meeting:**

Next chamber meeting is Tuesday April 02, 2019 at 8:00 a.m.

Adjourned 9:15 a.m.