BRUCE MINES AND AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Tuesday, Feb. 04, 2020 – Library – 8:00 A.M.

WEBSITE: <u>www.brucemineschamber.com</u> **Email:** <u>info@brucemineschamber.com</u>

Present:

Larry Peterson – Peterson & Peterson Law Firm Jim McCulloch – Retired Project Manager Darren Foster – Foster's Freshmart Jerry Bogart Bill Gunn – Fine Pine Things Mariola Morin – Real Estate Sales

Regrets:

Michael Peever – Mike Peever Auctions

Call to Order:

Jim McCulloch called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

Minutes:

Motion: Larry Peterson – Bill Gunn that the minutes of Dec. 03, 2019 be approved – *carried*

Financial report:

Motion: Larry Peterson + Darren Foster that the financial report be approved – **carried**.

Coalition of the Willing:

Darren Foster reported there was a meeting last night (Feb. 03, 2020) – hope to have a budget for Feb. 17th for the Chamber. There were lots of ideas and discussion, but they need to be fine tuned. There was talk about a possibility of applying for a Trillium Grant. Algoma University Marketing Class are doing a case study on Bruce Mines. Town decoration ideas are being explored.

Highway Construction:

There is a discussion for a public meeting with the MTO and Town as to what is involved in the 6-week reconstruction period during prime time.

Street Christmas Lights:

Darren has met with Donna Brunke, Clerk, about the Angel Christmas lights

SnoGlyders:

Motion Bill Gunn + Darren Foster that the Chamber donate \$500.00 in support of the SnoGlyders Club. - **carried**

Citizen of the Year:

Larry Peterson reported that Gord Post has been the name the 2020 Citizen of the Year. Gord has spent over 20 years as a Municipal Councillor and Mayor, 30 years with the Volunteer Fire Department, 15 years with the SnoGlyders, 8 years on the Algoma Health Unit, 27 years on Tri Neighbours Waste Disposal Committee, active on the Recreation Committee for years and years on the Medical Centre Committee. The celebration is being held on Friday February 21, 2020 at the Community Hall

Administrative Services:

3S Proposal to provide administrative services to the Chamber has been withdrawn

Highway Signs:

Town event sign at both ends of the town – need refurbishing – probably less than \$200.00 in materials.

Calendar of Events:

There is a need to develop a calendar of events of the community to avoid conflicts of events. Mariola Morin is taking on the project of recording the year's public events so organizations can plan and promote their activities.

Membership:

George Cragg has updated the Membership Application form to Bill Gunn early this morning from England. We need to change the deadline from March 01st to April 15th and the fees should be increased by \$5.00.

RBC Presentations:

Mariola Morin met with Tiffany Gardner of RBC – The RBC Business Manager from Elliot Lake is willing to give a free presentation to young people interested in starting a business or to the Chambers

Next chamber meeting:

Tuesday March 03, 2020 at 8:00 a.m.

Adjourned 9:00 a.m..