

BRUCE MINES AND AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Tuesday, March 03, 2020 – 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
Bill Gunn – Fine Pine Things
Darren Foster – Foster's Freshmart

Regrets:

None

Call to Order:

Michael Peever called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

Minutes:

Motion: Larry Peterson – Bill Gunn that the minutes of Feb. 04, 2020 be approved – **carried**

Financial report:

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

Coalition of the Willing:

Darren Foster reported he did a delegation to Council - (1) Hwy corridor renovations (2) Christmas Lighting - Algoma Power is drafting agreement with the Town for Lighting (3) Students and Marketing Study from Algoma University (4) proposal on the Trillium Grant

Trillium Grant:

Application for \$65,000.00 was made and submitted. Application was made by COW through the Chamber.

SnoGlyders:

A thank you note was received from SnoGlyders for the donation.

Citizen of the Year:

Larry Peterson reported that the celebration of Gord Post on Friday February 21, 2020 was well attended and successful.

Highway Signs:

Jim McCulloch has the materials in his shop to do the necessary repairs.

Calendar of Events: (old report)

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:

Bill Gunn sent out membership renewals by email 10 days ago.

RBC Presentations: (old report)

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.

North Channel Marine Tourism Association:

Jim acknowledged that joining NCMTA is a definite benefit to the Town.....

Motion: Jim McCulloch + Bill Gunn that the Chamber pay the membership fee of \$600.00 for 2020
- carried

Another Chamber Event:

With Four & Friends Art Show & Sale no longer active - there appears to be a need to run another event....what would that event be?...who would be willing and able to take it on?

Q. What happened to the Copper Penny on display in Sudbury?

Q. Should there be another art project? Arts by the Bay?

Q. Should there be a geological event?

Q. 2023 - 100th anniversary of International Harvester - Bruce Mines is one of the hotbeds with International Harvesters + tractor trots + other tractor events?

Q. Maple Syrup events? There are a lot of craft maple syrup makers in the area. It would be an April event

Is anyone interested in any of the above or any other possible events ?

Hilton Beach is an excellent example of a small community keeping visitors coming every weekend.

Fishing off the Dock:

There is are a couple free fishing days sponsored by Hunters and Anglers Association which do not require fishing licence.

Fishing, kayaking, canoe are excellent waterfront activities and our waterfront is under utilized. Free Fishing Day would be an excellent activity for the youth.

Seedy Saturday:

Motion: Larry Peterson + Bill Gunn that the Chamber pay \$25.00 for the Seedy Saturday Event -
carried

Next Meeting:

Next chamber meeting is Tuesday April 07, 2020 at 8:00 a.m.

Meeting Adjourned: 9:10 a.m.