

**BRUCE MINES AND AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE**

**Tuesday, September 05, 2017 – Library – 8:10 A.M.**

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**Present:**

Michael Peever – Mike Peever Auctions  
Larry Peterson – Peterson & Peterson Law Firm  
Brian Torrance – Torrance Custom Interiors  
Edith Orr – Johnson Farmers Market  
Jim McCulloch  
Bill Gunn – Fine Pine Things  
Heidi Werner – Wooden Boxes  
Joyce Boismier

**Guests:**

None

**Regrets:**

Pat Peterson – Bruce Bay Cottages & Lighthouse  
Arlene Romberg – Wyzgыз Chip Wagon  
Jean Hershey – Rydal Bank Historical Society.  
Cheryl McKay – North Channel Current

**Call to Order:**

Michael Peever called the meeting to order at 8:10 a.m.

**Past Minutes:**

**Motion:** Larry Peterson + Brian Torrance that the minutes of Tues. Aug. 01, 2017 be adopted – *carried.*

**Treasurer Report:**

Larry Peterson + Bill Gunn that the Treasurer's Report be adopted as presented.

**French Fry:**

Larry Peterson thanked both Heidi and Edith for their cleansing of the chip booth.

Larry Peterson reported that 2 friers have returned from Blue Flame – 1 requires major repairs + the other fixed one is still not working. Bill Gunn will speak with Blue Flame and will take the frier to the Soo this afternoon for immediate repairs.

Edith Orr has offered the Johnson Arena chest freezer to be picked up and transported to the Chip Booth for the Fall Fair Event.

If necessary Bill will check Russell Restaurant Supplies + National Grocers for new commercial friers + costs. Bill has been given executive decision making authority on the purchase of a new frier if necessary.

**Marketing Committee:**

Heidi Werner made the following report:

Sno Trail advertisement is done and in.

Algoma Country will remain at 1 page – there are some who have dropped out – and some are new to the project.

**Canada 150:**

Jim McCulloch reported that the final report has been sent into the government.

Discussion about Canada 150 Volunteer Appreciation Event should happen in 2017. Sept. 21, 2017 is the tentative date.

**Christmas Mix N Mingle:**

General feeling that such event would be a good idea and should be followed up.

**Agricultural Society:**

The Agric. Society have offered the Chamber a room for \$40.00 per month for Chamber staff. The Chamber needs a good secure storage area as Chamber supplies are being currently stored in various houses.

**Motion:** Heidi Werner + Edith Orr that the Chamber rent a room from the Agricultural Society in the arena for storage for \$40.00 per month and the Agric. Society to pay and install locks on the outside door – **carried**.

**New Business:**

Edith would like to know what Member Benefits are to join the Chamber. Edith is thinking of benefits of joining the Canadian Chamber of Commerce. Edith will look into the benefits of the Bruce Mines Chamber joining the Canadian Chamber of Commerce.

Cost of Membership is under \$200.00 per year.

Forest Tent Caterpillars Seminar – Sept. 14, 2017 - 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. Desbarats Community Centre – info 705-542-2310. How the caterpillar infestation could affect your bottom line.

**Highway Signage:**

Next event is the Sylvan Circle on Sept. 16<sup>th</sup>

Cotton Candy Machine is back and the Hilton event was a good success.

**Rydal Bank Historical Society**

Jean Hershey sent in the following report:

*Over the summer the Rydal Bank Historical Society work has had work done at the Community Hall and new flooring was installed in the meeting room and the kitchen.*

*The members of the Rydal Bank Historical Society are gearing up for a busy Fall. The Rydal Bank Hall will be one of the sites for the Sylvan Circle Tour and the Society will be serving their popular Soup and Biscuits. This is always a popular event.*

*And of course, the Thanksgiving Weekend will be a busy one for Society members as they present the Annual Thanksgiving Turkey Supper on Thanksgiving Monday, October 9. The sittings for this popular meal will be 4:00, 5:00 and 6:00 at the Rydal Bank Hall. More details will be available soon*

**Next Meeting:**

Tuesday October 03, 2017 at 8:00 a.m. at the Library

**Meeting adjourned at 9:00 a.m.**