

BRUCE MINES AND AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Tuesday, February 06, 2018 – 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
Lois Hart – Registered Psychotherapist
Bill Gunn – Fine Pine Things
Amber Wills – Librarian
Rick O'Hara – Town Councillor
Brian Torrance – Torrance Custom Interiors (had to leave early)
Heidi Werner – Wooden Boxes
Edith Orr – Johnson Farmers Market

Regrets:

Pat Peterson – Bruce Bay Cottages & Lighthouse

Call to Order:

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

Past Minutes:

Motion: Larry Peterson + Bill Gunn that the Minutes of Jan. 02, 2018 be approved as amended - **carried**

Treasurers Report

Motion: Larry Peterson + Amber Wills that the Treasurer's Report be adopted as presented.

After 6 – Sportsman Grill:

It was reported that there were 19 attendees on Jan 30, 2018 revenue was \$150.00 – expenses are \$265.01 – there was a shortfall \$115.01. It was considered a success in many ways.

Seedy Saturday:

Lois Hart reported that the Bruce Station Horticultural Society fall into District #13 which includes Algoma and Manitoulin. District #13 Annual General Meeting will be held in Bruce Station on May 04, 2019. Many visitors are expected to our area as a result of this event.

Seedy Saturday is set for March 10th, 2018 at CASS from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. It is co-hosted by the 4 Central Algoma Horticultural Societies – Thessalon, Bruce Station, St. Joseph Island, Lake George + Johnson Farmers' Market with inaugural assistance from the Sault Ste. Marie Horticultural Society.

The Bruce Station Horticultural Society is the lead organizer and is asking the Chamber for its continued support.

Motion: Jim McCulloch + Heidi Werner that the Chamber pay the \$25.00 for advertising + \$20.00 for the table. - **carried**

Vice-President:

Since the position of Vice-President was vacant the Directors, with the consent of Jim McCulloch, have appointed Jim McCulloch to fill the position of Vice-President

Directors:

The Directors are thinking of succession and the need to expand the numbers on the Board of Directors. Anyone interested in putting their name forward as a director to contact Michael Peever.

Annual Membership Meeting:

It was felt that the annual membership meeting be held on Tuesday April 03, 2018

North Channel Marine Tourism:

Jim McCulloch reported that the Bag program has gone up from 850 to 1000 bags. The membership of \$200.00 remains the same – brochures will increase from 200 to 350.

A Passport Program is being initiated and given to all boaters and the passport is stamped at every marina in the area – the passport has to be stamped by all marinas to encourage the boaters to travel from one end of the district to the other.

There is a “Boat Links” program which offers slight discount to boaters again to encourage boaters to travel to the north channel marinas.

The Town voted not to participate in the North Channel Marine Tourism project.

Motion: Edith Orr + Lois Hart that once the budget for the North Channel Marine Tourism has been determined the Chamber will pay 50 % with the Town - **carried**.

French Frier:

Motion: Bill Gunn + Larry Peterson that the Chamber purchase another French frier - **carried**

Adjourned: 9:15 a.m.

Next Meeting:

Tuesday March 6, 2018