

**BRUCE MINES AND AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE**

**Tuesday, April 02, 2019 – Union Library – 8:00 A.M.**

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**Present:**

Michael Peever – Mike Peever Auctions  
Larry Peterson – Peterson & Peterson Law Firm  
Jerry Bogart – Town Councillor  
Darren Foster – Fosters Freshmart  
Bill Gunn – Fine Pine Things  
Jim McCulloch – Retired Project Manager

**Regrets:**

Brian Torrance – Torrance Custom Interiors  
Pat Peterson – Bruce Bay Cottages & Lighthouse  
Jean Hershey – Rydal Bank Historical Society.  
Lois Hart – Registered Psychotherapist  
Danielle Melmoth – Employment Solutions  
Mariola Morin – Real Estate Sales

**Call to Order:**

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

**March Minutes:**

**Motion:** Bill Gunn – Jerry Bogart that the minutes of March. 05, 2018 be approved – **carried**

**Financial report:**

**Motion:** Larry Peterson + Bill Gunn that the financial report be approved – **carried**

**Membership:**

Larry Peterson reported that 33 paid up members so far. Bill Gunn has volunteered to head up the Membership – Mike Peever and Larry Peterson will meet with Bill to update the information.

**Seedy Saturday:**

Bill Gunn reported that he represented the Chamber at Seedy Saturday. It was good to have the Chamber represented at the event – over 200-300 people attended the event.

**Canada Day/Community Day:**

Jerry Bogart reported that Canada Day/Community Day event will not likely go ahead as hoped. A private proposal was submitted to council and was not accepted by council.

Canada Day/Community Day is essential to keep the community viable. Jerry is to look into other options.

**Rock & Mineral Tour:**

Bill Gunn and Keith Hoback want to do a rock collecting event. Group 20-30 people – one tour in the morning and one tour in the afternoon. Brian Hepburn is interested in helping.

Need to look into Chamber's insurance coverage for events such as this. There are expenses incurred to setting up and running the event – a fee of \$10.00 will be charged to off-set the expenses.

The Town of Bruce Mines is supportive – will be sending Bill a letter of support.

## **New Business:**

### **Coalition of the Willing:**

Darren represents the Coalition of the Willing – representing small businesses – want to do little things to help promote the area. The Group want to work with the Chamber – Darren will be a liaison between the Group and the Chamber

Heidi Werner  
Melissa Hughes  
Marla Adamson-Barber  
Penny & Dean McNamara  
Edith Orr  
Darren Foster

The group would like to be a sub-committee of the Chamber

The cyclists are coming to town and the Group would like to have the Town welcome them – bicycle racks, fresh flowers in the planters.

**Motion:** Jim McCulloch + Bill Gunn that the Chamber endorse and support the Coalition of the Willing as a sub-committee of the Chamber with Darren Foster as the liaison officer – **carried**

### **Cross Promotion – Tourism:**

- Tues. April 23, 2019 – East Algoma C.D.C.
- Hall rental in Bruce Mines cost of \$50.00

**Motion:** Bill Gunn + Jim McCulloch that the Chamber cover the costs of the hall rental for the East Algoma CDC cross promotion on tourism – **carried**.

### **Next Meeting:**

Next chamber meeting is Tuesday May 07, 2019 at 8:00 a.m.

Adjourned 9:05 a.m.