

Minutes of the Meeting

January 8th, 2019 12:00pm
Lower Level of Memorial Hall

Present: Tyler King, Jodi Winkler, Scott Johnston, Richard Dyck, Wayne Hanks, Lee Brayden, Harvey Takvam, Tim Doerksen, Nancy Cooke, Jason Rheault, Taya O'Brien, Michelle Aldie, Marni Harrison, Barb Almey, Marni Harrison, Corey Lessard, and Louise Carduner

1. Call to order:

Scott Johnston called the meeting to order at 12:00pm

2. Introductions:

Introductions were made by all in attendance

3. Approval of Agenda

Tim Doerksen moved to accept the agenda as circulated – Marni Harrison seconded - Carried

4. Approval of Minutes:

Nancy Cooke moved to accept the minutes of the December 18, 2018 minutes as circulated. Tim Doerksen seconded - Carried

5. Financial Report:

Jodi Winkler presented the financial report. The balance in the ACU chequing account as of January 8th, 2018 is \$12361.58.

Marni Harrison moved to accept the financials as presented. Jason Rheault seconded – Approved

6. New Business:

Carman Minor Ball has begun fundraising for the development of 8 new ball diamonds in Carman. Watch for more information coming from the fundraising committee.

7. Committee Reports:

Membership Committee:

The 2019 membership invoices will be mailed out this month. All members will receive a window sticker, which the committee hopes that they display proudly. The membership committee will meet again on January 29th at noon at Crazy Lady's Cafeteria. The committee will now focus on the recruitment of new members.

Meet and Greet Committee:

Postmedia held a Meet & Greet on Wednesday, December 12th, at the Active Living Center. Thank you to all the members that attended.

The committee is always looking for businesses that would be hosting a Meet and Greet. If you are interested, please contact Jodi or Scott and they will assist you in the planning.

Awards Committee:

This committee will begin to meet this month. Scott, Nancy, Lee, Ashley and Louise will join Jodi in the planning of the Awards Gala. If you are interested in helping with this, please contact Jodi.

The awards gala will take place in March. Date TBA.

8. Community Reports:

Community Economic Development- Tyler King

- FION provided by Valley Fiber was announced in December. The tower is already in place and the fiber to the tower will be in place by 2019 with service to homes and businesses by 2020.
- The 2019 Visitor Guide will be ready for distribution in mid-February.
- There is progress in the land development in the Industrial Park.

Town Rep- Richard Dyck:

- The first reading of the sidewalk by law will take place at the next council meeting. The council hopes to have this by law in place by February.
- Pembina Valley has increased the price of water coming from Stephenfield. This increase will start at 10% the first year, 2% the second and third year and will increase at the cost of living for the fourth and fifth year.
- The budget is being set for street repair for the year. The council is listing the priority levels of the streets that need repaired.

RM Rep- Harvey Takvam

- Everything is going very well in the RM.

Carman and Dufferin Recreation- Taya O'Brien

- **Pickle ball Drop in** - Runs on Thursdays from 6:30-8:30pm at Carman Community Hall - \$2.00 fee
- **Hall walking** - Monday - Thursday 9:30-11:00 am for the winter months.
- **Drop In Badminton** - Every Friday Evening from 7:00-9:00pm at the Collegiate
- **HITT Training and Kickboxing** - Have been cancelled for various reasons.
- **CRDC** will be hosting a 3 on 3 hockey tournament on Thursday, January 3rd. There are 12 teams registered, so the tourney is now full.
- **CDRC and Safe Communities** will be hosting a stress expert session on Tuesdays', starting in February.
- **Cooking Class** - Will begin in March
- **Babysitting Course** - Being offered in March
- **No School Day camps** - will begin in February.

Dufferin Ag Society Report- No Report

GPAC- No Report

9. President's Report:

-See January report

10. Executive Director's Report - Jodi Winkler:

-See January report

11. Business Arising -

- Homestead Co-op's Sunday openings have been going very well.
- AGM will be held following the regular March meeting. Directors are asked to advise Jodi of your intentions regarding your position on the board.
- Golf and Curling Club are interested in hosting a Meet and Greet in February.
- Reminder of the Business Curling league - Friday evenings.
- Wine Survivor will be held again in February. Congratulations to Lee's Construction on their win! We will be contacting you regarding hosting a Wine and Cheese with your winnings!

12. Correspondence – None

13. Round Table Discussion

14. Next Meeting – February 12th, 2019 12:00 pm – Lower Level of Memorial Hall

15. Motion made by Marni Harrison to adjourn the meeting at 12:30pm

Presidents Report

I trust and hope that all of you had a safe and happy Christmas and New Year's.

Thank you to those of you that were able to make it to the After Hours Business Mixer, hosted by Post Media and the Chamber. This continues to be a great way for new businesses to meet clients that normally they may only talk to on the phone or via email. It also gives an opportunity to catch up with other business owners and employees that are typically very busy. I want to thank Christine and her Post Media team for their involvement with the chamber events.

Please continue to give thought to hosting an event such as this at your place of business, and let Jodi or I know and we will assist you in the planning. Also, please consider volunteering your time with one of our committees. Please talk to any directors or myself about these possibilities.

Thank you!

Kelly Dyck
President
Carman and Community Chamber of Commerce

Executive Director Report – January 2019

HAPPY NEW YEAR! I hope that your Christmas was Merry and that 2019 is off to a great start!

Thank you to all of you that attended the After Hours Business Mixer on December 12th, 2018. This event was hosted by Postmedia and the Chamber, in conjunction with the launch of the NEW and improved Carman and Community Chamber of Commerce website. The new website is now live, and although there are a few minor adjustments that need to be made, I think this is a great improvement for the Chamber. Thank you to Postmedia for hosting this event with us.

Invoices for 2019 memberships will be sent out this month. The membership committee looks forward to increasing our membership numbers, as we look for new and existing businesses to join our chamber.

The AGM committee will reconvene in January, as we start the planning of our Annual Awards Evening. More information regarding this event will be sent out as it becomes available. If you have an interest in joining this committee, please let me know. New committee members are always welcome.

Thank you, once again, for your continued support of the Chamber and I look forward to an amazing 2019!

Sincerely,

Jodi Winkler
Executive Director
Carman and Community Chamber of Commerce