

Minutes of the Meeting
September 10th, 2019 12:00pm
Lower Level of Memorial Hall

Present: Kelly Dyck, Jodi Winkler, Nancy Cooke, Taya O'Brien, Marni Harrison, Mayghan McEachern, Ashley Froese, Marlin Metcalf, Jason Rheault, Bill Vanderveen, Harvey Takvam, Mark Peters, Richard Dyck, Carly Bokloschuk, and Dale Reimer

1. Call to order:

Kelly Dyck called the meeting to order at 12:00pm

2. Introductions:

Introductions were made by all in attendance

3. Approval of Agenda

Ashley Froese moved to accept the September agenda as circulated – Marni Harrison Seconded - Carried

4. Approval of Minutes:

Marni Harrison moved to accept the minutes of the June 11th, 2019 meeting as circulated- Jason Rheault Seconded - Carried

5. Financial Report:

Jodi Winkler presented the financial report. The balance in the ACU chequing account as of September 10th, 2019 is \$18159.52. The Chamber buck account balance is \$1640.00.

Nancy Cooke moved to accept the September financial statement as presented. Bill Vanderveen Seconded - Carried

6. New Business:

- Carly Bokloschuk is the new owner of Carman Flower Shop. She has been renovating the location and hopes to be able to add coffee service to the establishment in the near future.
- Carman Physiotherapy has hired new, local, full time physiotherapist. Welcome to Alexandra Murray MPT.
- Marni Harrison made a motion to remove Louise Carduner from the Board of Directors for the Carman and Community Chamber of Commerce and replace her with Tyler King for the remainder of her one-year term. - Jason Rheault Seconded – Carried

7. Committee Reports:

Membership Committee:

The Membership committee will reconvene the first week in October. The focus now will be to contact all current members before the new year. The membership committee is always looking for more committee members to assist them.

Meet and Greet/ Lunch and Learn Committee:

Jodi is working with 3 different businesses on the possibility of Meet and Greet evenings in October and November.

The next Lunch and Learn session is scheduled for September 19th at 12:00 noon in the Co-op Boardroom. Sharron Bain from the CPA will be presenting on Understanding Financial Statements

for Non-Financial Not for Profit Directors. Lunch will be served. Members are free to attend. Future Members are \$5.

Golf Committee:

The 2019 Chamber golf tournaments were, once again, very successful. The Chamber tournament profited \$16786.63 and the Access Credit Union Pro Am Tournament profited \$3824.45. Thank you to all of the sponsors and the committee for contributing to the success of this tournament.

Parade:

The 2019 Carman Country Fair parade was a huge success. There were over 110 floats participating in this event and the crowds lining the route were very entertained. Thank you to Cor Lodder and his staff at Walinga for their assistance with the marshalling, and to the parade committee for their organization and dedication to making this event a success.

Halloween:

Jodi will meet with the CIBC staff next week to discuss this year's carnival. The carnival will be held on October 26th at the Active Living Center. Details will be available soon.

Community Reports:

Community Economic Development- Tyler King- No Report

Town Rep- Richard Dyck

- The town has been reviewing and debating the school speed zone since spring. The council has passed a first and second reading of a motion to restrict speeds to 30 km in both of our school zones, from 8 am to 530 pm. The high school zone will be shortened. The final reading will be this Thursday. The new crosswalk solar lights by the high school have been working out well.
- Both the town and the RM, as owners of the library, have passed motions to proceed with all phases to complete the Reno Project. The fundraising will need to continue as they are short the funds to fund 100% of the Reno.
- The town received confirmation of federal grant money to proceed with the new water reservoir. Tenders are being refreshed. It will take up to 24 months to complete.
- Our Strategic Plan Retreat has been planned for Sep 19 and 21. The town has seen all feedback from the stakeholders that met with Jose Lemoine. The next steps are to create a vision and mission statement, as well as objectives to meet these goals.

RM Rep- Harvey Takvam

- All good

Carman and Dufferin Recreation- Taya O'Brien

- The Carman Dufferin Arena is now open! To book ice rentals please contact the Recreation office!
- The Carman Dufferin Recreation is still looking to fill The RINK Power skating program. There are spots in both the Novice Major/Atom age group, as well as the Peewee/Bantam age group!

- Summer has ended and the water is out of the Carman Dufferin Pool! Swimming lesson registrations this year totalled 1065.
- Summer Day Camp had 819 Day Campers over 9 weeks of summer and 4 field trips.
- Public Skating will start October 21st, from 9am – 11:30am on the B Side ice surface from Monday to Friday.
- The CDRC will be offering the following programs this fall
 - Goalie Clinics with Tim Morrison
 - November 1, 15, 29
 - December 13
 - January 10, 24
 - February 7, 21
 - For Novice Major, Atom and Peewee
 - 7:00pm-8:30pm
 - Cost for 8 sessions is \$240.00
 - The Rink Power Skating Academy
 - October 25
 - November 8, 22
 - December 6, 20
 - January 17, 31
 - February 14
 - 7:00-7:45pm Novice Major/Atom
 - 8:00-8:45pm Peewee/Bantam
 - 8 Sessions is \$320.00
 - Mindful Movements with Tiffany Elliott
 - Wednesday evenings from 6:00pm – 6:45pm
 - Starting October 16, 2019
 - Carman Community Hall
 - 9 classes for \$90.00
 - Adult Cooking Class with Rita Bisht
 - Carman Community Hall from 6:00pm – 8:00pm
 - October 15 & 29, November 12 & 19
 - 4 classes for \$120.00
 - Babysitters Course
 - October 5, 2019 from 10:00am – 4:00pm at the Carman Community Hall
 - \$60.00/student
 - Hall Walking
 - Carman Community Hall
 - November 4 – December 12 (exception of November 11)
 - Monday through Thursday

9:30am – 11:00am

- Pickleball
 - Carman Community Hall
 - Thursday evenings starting November 7, 2019
 - 6:30pm – 8:30pm
 - \$2.00 Drop In Fee
- Dog Obedience with Laurie Millions
 - Starting Wednesday October 9
 - 6 weeks
 - Wednesday evenings at the Community Hall from 7:30-8:00pm

Dufferin Ag Society Report- Dale Reimer

- 2019 Carman Country Fair was very successful!
- The Street Closure was very well received.
- Attendance was great!
- The DAS would like to explore the possibility of having a shuttle service to transport visitors to the fairgrounds from various locations in town. This may eliminate the parking problem and allow seniors easier access to the event. They would like to work with the Chamber on implementing this.
- The DAS would also like to see an event in Ryall Park during fair weekend.

GPAC

- The Golden Prairie Arts Council Winter Concert Series will begin on October 3rd. Season tickets for this series are available to purchase at the GPAC office.

Kinnette Club – Mayghan McEachern

- The Kinette's operated the food booth during the Carman Country Fair. Although the numbers are not finalized yet, the booth was very busy and should turn a good profit.
- The club assisted the Library with their Mad Hatter fundraiser dinner held in August.
- They also hosted a blood donor clinic in August.
- The next meeting for the Kinette's will be held in September.

8. President's Report- Kelly Dyck:

-See September report

9. Executive Director's Report – Jodi Winkler:

-See September report

10. Old Business – None

11. Correspondence-

- CIBC, Carman Branch, will be hosting a BBQ on Friday, September 13th at noon. The BBQ is in support of the CIBC Run for the Cure. Businesses are encouraged to preorder lunch at the branch.
- There will be a community roundtable on November 7th, 2019. The purpose of the roundtable is to increase awareness of poverty in Carman and the RM of Dufferin and identify opportunities to work together to address the needs.

12. Round Table Discussion- None

13. Next Meeting – October 8thth 12:00 pm – Lower Level of Memorial Hall

14. Motion made by Jason Rheault to adjourn the meeting at 12:50 pm

Presidents Report- September 2019

I want to welcome you all back after what was hopefully a great summer. It was a refreshing break from a regular routine, however my family is happy to be back in one now. Throughout the summer we hosted the chamber golf tournament and the Access Credit union pro-am. Both were a success and a very good fundraiser for the events that the we as the chamber will continue to put on going forward. In addition to this the fair parade was also put on by the chamber and went off without a hitch as well. The fair was awesome again this year. It is great to see all the activity and construction going on in the town of Carman on a business front. I am looking forward to seeing more in the future and to have FAST internet!

Thanks,
Kelly

Executive Director Report – September 2019

Happy Fall Y'all!

There is something about the crisp mornings and site of harvest that makes you feel like it is okay to let go of summer and get back into daily routine and the routine of monthly CHAMBER MEETINGS! I know I have missed them, have you??

The 2019 Carman and Community Chamber of Commerce Golf Tournament was held on June 20th at the beautiful Carman Golf Course. The day was a HUGE success and for this we thank our sponsors! Thank you to our title sponsor, Access Credit Union, our meal sponsor, Homestead Co-op, and our cart sponsor, Carman Ford. Also, a huge thanks goes out to our 26-hole sponsors, our snack sponsors, our door prize sponsors and the prize table sponsors! Without your generous donations, the tournament would not have been possible. I would also like to thank all of our Chamber members that joined us on the golf course for a fun filled day of golf! We look forward to making the 2020 chamber tournament the best one yet!

The Carman Country Fair was held on July 11th-13th and, once again, was a great event for our community. The Carman and Community Chamber of Commerce was host to the annual parade on the Saturday morning of the fair. There were over 100 floats registered for the event, and I must say, this parade was AMAZING! Thank you to the small committee that made this happen and to Cor Lodder and the staff at Walinga for your assistance in making this parade so successful!

The Access Credit Union Community Pro Am, hosted by the Carman Golf Course and the Carman and Community Chamber of Commerce was held on Friday, August 23rd, 2019. Our community was host to 25 Professional Golfers and 51 Amateur Golfers from throughout the province. Thank you, once again, to Access Credit Union and all of the sponsors that made this event possible. We were proud to showcase our community and our golf course to these guests.

September 2019 is shaping up to be a busy month.

On September 17th, 2019, Carman and Community Chamber of Commerce, together with the Morden Chamber and the Winkler Chamber will be hosting a Climate Action Forum. This event will be presented by the IISD (International Institute for Sustainable Development) and the Manitoba Chamber of Commerce. This event will be held from 8:30-10:00 am in Morden, Manitoba at the Access Event Center. The event is free to attend, but please RSVP to myself to ensure your spot.

On September 19th, we will be hosting a Lunch and Learn Session presented by Sharon Bain of the Chartered Professional Accountants of Canada. More information on this session will be sent to you in the coming days.

The Chamber is also looking into hosting an All Candidates Forum for the upcoming Federal election. I have been working closely with the various political parties, and I will also get this information to the public as soon as attendance has been solidified. I have a few prospective Meet and Greet evenings in the works, but I would LOVE to help your business host one of these events. They are great for networking and promotion. Please let me know if I can work with you on hosting one at your place of business. Thank you, once again, for your continued support of the Chamber. I look forward to working with you to build our business community!

f there is ever anything that I can do for you, please let me know.

Sincerely,
Jodi Winkler

Executive Director
Carman and Community Chamber of Commerce