

Minutes of the Meeting
Carman and Community Chamber of Commerce
February 11th, 2020 12:00pm
Lower Level of Memorial Hall

Present: Nancy Chatwin, Marni Harrison, Jodi Winkler, Scott Johnston, Tyler King, Sheena Nakonechney, Jason Rheault, Kelly Dyck, Mayghan McEacheran, Dean North, Dale Reimer and Richard Dyck.

1. Call to order:

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

2. Introductions:

Introductions were made by all in attendance

3. Approval of Agenda

Scott Johnston moved to accept the February agenda as circulated – Dean North Seconded – Carried

4. Community Reports:

Dufferin Agricultural Society – Dale Reimer

- A Strategic Planning Committee is in the process of being formed to develop a plan for the Ag Society grounds once Carman minor ball has relocated.
- The 2020 Carman Country Fair is starting to come together and the format will be very similar to last year.
- The fair was awarded the tender for the Manitoba Provincial Percheron show for 2020, 2021 and 2022. This is a great asset to the fair and the committee is honored to have their tender accepted.

Ball Diamond Expansion Project – No Report

Carman Minor Ball – No Report

Carman Area Foundation – No Report

Director of Economic Development – Tyler King

- The 2020 Storefront Improvement Grant application information has been forwarded to business owners.
- Central Manitoba Tourism award nominations are now open. The Chamber will review the categories and nominate local businesses and organizations accordingly.
- Community Futures Manitoba will host their strategic planning session on February 21st. Tyler will be taking part in this session
- Tyler will be at the Sportsman Show in Fargo from March 5th-8th. He will also be attending the RV Show in Brandon on March 12th-15th.
- Good Sam Club will be in Carman June 2nd-7th, 2020.

Town of Carman – Richard Dyck

- 2019 draft financial statements completed, which showed a very small surplus after the Town of Carman transferred over \$300,000 to General Reserves. This transfer amount comes mostly from savings on their protective services budget line. They plan to allocate this money to streets in 2020

- The 2020 financial plan is in the works with a public hearing set for March 12th, 2020. There will be an increase in public works budget from last year as the Town of Carman would like to continue with street & sidewalk repairs, and continue work in the industrial park.

RM Rep- Clayton Morgan – No Report

Carman and Dufferin Recreation- Sheena Nakonechney

- **Lean to Use Your Iphone**
CHANGE OF DATE – March 17th
7:00-8:30 pm
Carman Collegiate
- **Evening Hall Walking**
Carman Collegiate, Monday to Friday, 5:00 -9:00 p.m.
Walk the halls for exercise during the winter months when the school is open.
- **Swimming Lessons Registration**
Wednesday April 8, 2020 at 7:00 a.m.
Online
- **Campground Registration**
Wednesday April 8, 2020 at 7:00 a.m
Online
- **Hockey Camp Registration**
Wednesday April 15, 2020 at 7:00 a.m.
- **Day Camp Registration**
Wednesday April 29th, 2020 at 7:00 a.m.

5. Approval of Minutes:

Marni Harrison moved to accept the minutes of the January 14th, 2020 meeting as circulated-
Nancy Chatwin Seconded - Carried

6. Financial Report:

The balance in the ACU chequing account as of February 11th, 2020 is \$2125.35. The Chamber buck account balance is \$7294.63.

Jason Rheault moved to accept the January financial statement as presented. Marni Harrison Seconded – Carried

7. New Business:

- The Carman Kinettes will be handing out cookies at Homestead Co-op on Saturday, February 22nd, to acknowledge Kin Kindness Day.
- The Kinettes will also be helping with the community blood donor clinic in Carman on February 21st.
- GPAC will be selling Business memberships this season. Businesses are encouraged to purchase a membership, which could be used for staff incentives, staff functions or to thank customers. The 2020 GPAC concert series begins in April.
- Chicken Chef mixed curling provincials will be held on March 19th -21st at the Carman Curling Club.

8. Committee Reports:

Membership Committee:

Membership renewals have been sent out and members are encouraged to submit payment at their earliest convenience. The membership committee will focus on the Chamber Group Insurance Plan and informing members of the great benefits that this plan has to offer.

Meet and Greet/ Lunch and Learn Committee:

Jodi is working with a few different businesses on hosting Meet and Greets in the coming months.

Golf Committee:

The golf committee has met once already and they are looking to secure sponsors for the Chamber Tourney as well as the Community Pro-Am.

The dates of the tournaments are June 18th and August 21st respectively.

9. President's Report- Kelly Dyck

10. Executive Director's Report – Jodi Winkler:

-See February Report

11. Old Business- None

12. Correspondence- None

13. Round Table Discussion

- The Carman Golf and Curling Club Card draw was won on Friday, February 7th. The winner of the monies has graciously donated the winnings and more to the Curling Club's Light project.
- Applications for the Co-op Community Grants are now open.

14. Next Meeting – March 10th 12:00 pm – Lower Level of Memorial Hall

15. Motion made by Jason Rheault to adjourn the meeting at 12:55 pm

Executive Director Report – February 2020

With magic of technology, and a little help from Marni, you will be reading this, as I am soaking up the sun! OLE!

Here is what I was busy with before I left on a winter getaway with my fam!

Castleton Construction hosted a VERY successful "Business After 5" on January 16th! Best one this year guys! Thank you to Alex and Jeremy and ALL of you that were able to attend. Some popped by for a minute and others stayed longer for some great networking. If you haven't stopped by the Castleton Showroom, be sure to do that soon! It is a TOP NOTCH showroom and we are proud that this company calls Carman home.

January's Lunch and Learn was held on Tuesday, January 28th at 12:00 noon in the lower level of Memorial Hall. Rob Bryson presented to a full house on the subject of Risk Management for your business. Thank you to Rob for this very informative presentation.

That same evening, January 28th, Rob also presented on Not for Profit Board Liability. This was held in the Kinsmen Room of the Carman Arena. Once again, thank you to Rob and all of those that were able to attend this session. I trust that you and your board will benefit greatly from the information learned here.

Membership, Membership, Membership!

If you haven't received your 2020 Membership package yet, check your mail!

Thank you to all of our NEW and EXISTING members for your investment in our Chamber and our community.

I look forward to our 2020 Chamber year.

Please reach out to me if you have questions, concerns, ideas or just to talk! I'd love to hear from you.

See you on Tuesday!