

Sheet Harbour and Area Chamber of Commerce & Community Affairs
Lions Centre, Sheet Harbour, N.S.
December 1, 2010

Present: Julie & Kent Smith, Patricia Holman, Anke Beichmanis, Eugene Holman, Janice Christie, Kim Makinson, Carol Makinson, Susan Boutilier, Charles R. Martin, Cathy Farris, Anthony Farris, Penny Farris, Julia Myers, Wayne Malay, Jack Marshall, Meryl Atkinson, Dawn Howe-Power, Sandy Moser, Robert Moser, Ralph LeBlanc, Maria Brown, Gary Brown, Darrell Lowe, Janice Lowe, Terry McLeod, Norma McLeod, Kay Boutilier, Helen Miller, Brenda McInnis, Tom McNair, Sandy Moser, Robert Moser, Gordie Holman, Helen Pinfield, Denise MacDonald, Elwood Owen, John Wood,

Minutes

1. A presentation on the “Little Town that Could” was made by Wendie, Ron Russell and Carol Makinson.
2. Chair Tom McInnis called the meeting to order at 8:10 p.m.
3. Agenda: additions: Nominating Committee AGM, Spring Banquet and Christmas Wreathes.
4. It was moved by Ralph LeBlanc and seconded by Jr. Martin that the minutes of November 3 be approved with the following corrections: spelling of Susan Levy’s surname to be corrected, Anthony and Cathy Farris were present. Motion Carried.
5. Sidewalk Winter Maintenance Contract was awarded to Eastern Shore Cartage. Tom provided clarification regarding the use of sidewalks after a storm. To ensure safety, we are adhering to a standard of 18 hours after the end of the storm prior to using the sidewalks. This will ensure sidewalks are cleared. Residents are asked to exercise caution and common sense.
6. Community Art: Sandy Moser reported that the pebble art project headed by Julie Adamson-Millar is complete. Sandy feels the community will be pleased with the results. Six large pieces will be displayed in front of the bench areas with 80 smaller pieces along sidewalk and retaining wall side of bridge. Future activities would include more work in the Art Park, leasing of additional lands, summer grants. Sandy is leading committee looking into summer grants/students. Norma McLeod asked if sods taken out to place the pebble art could be saved for future repairs.
7. George Child reported that the Sheet Harbour & Area Chamber is applying for an art grant which will allow for several art pieces to be purchased for the new Duncan MacMillan Nursing Home. The grant will be worth \$3,000. This amount could go to one or more persons. To be eligible, one must live on the Eastern Shore between Ship Harbour and Ecum Secum. Artist must submit a portfolio to Tom McInnis on or before January 4, 2011.
8. McPhee House Committee: Volunteers are needed. This committee will work toward making this area a Town Centre. Require a chair for “Come Walk with Us”; if interested or know of someone, contact Tom. Opportunities exist to apply for grants for heritage gardens.
9. Volunteer of the Year: Members asked to submit possible candidates to Tom.
10. Christmas Reception: Will defer until January due to busy December schedules.
11. Committee Updates: deferred until January meeting.

12. Nominating Committee Membership: Ralph LeBlanc, George, Child, Wayne Malay, Ruby Gammon, Dawn Howe-Power, and Jr. Martin. Tom reinforced that everyone has the right to put their name forward and encouraged persons to do so.
13. Spring Banquet: Currently on this committee: Tom McInnis, Brenda McInnis, Norma McLeod, Janice Christie, and Sandy Moser. More volunteers are required. Folks are asked to submit their suggestions for guest speaker to Tom. A date has not been set for this event..
14. Wreaths: Brenda sent out the request to purchase wreathes to all membership. She had an overwhelming response with 21 persons donating. Brenda thanked all those who volunteered to decorate the Christmas wreaths. More volunteers are needed.
15. Tanya Malay has requested the Chamber submit a float. Also she is looking for a volunteer to line up the floats. Jr. Martin volunteered to do this.
16. Seniors Apartments: Tom has written letters regarding the parking situation and water issue. No response to date.
17. Tom reported the new forestry policy being considered would literally shut down Northern Fire. Tom shared a letter from the Minister in response to his letter. With the control of the port within 14 months, would like to see additional property purchased with goal of developing a service industrial park.
18. Tom shared a letter from Heather MacLean, Ticker Tanning, regarding new legislation on tanning. Heather assured in her letter that they ensure safety in all aspects, and persons using under 19 years of age, must have permission.
19. Comfort Centre: Tom will contact David Josey to find out status. Eastern Shore Palliative Care Association has requested \$500.00 for the new replacement home.
20. John Wood will be at Foodland next Friday selling calendars.
21. Norma McLeod would like to approach Dept of Transportation regarding possible grants for cleaning of highway. Norma will call Tom to discuss.
22. Adjournment: There being no further business, Ralph LeBlanc moved the meeting be adjourned; seconded George Childs. Meeting adjourned at 8:45.

Respectfully Submitted,

Wendie Russell
Secretary