

Sheet Harbour & Area Chamber of Commerce & Civic Affairs
October 3, 2012 - MINUTES
7:30 pm, Lion's Centre

Present: Douglas Keating, John Wood, Randall Holman, Ralph LeBlanc, Mark Krause, Myrene Keating-Owen, Andy Wright, Dawn Howe-Power, Glenda Stein, Doug Stein, Wayne Malay, Russell Webb, Terry McLeod, Bridget Boutilier, Marike Finlay, Jack Marshall, Siegfried and Anke Beichmanis, George Child, Eugene Holman, Patricia Holman, Kent Smith, Janice Christie.

1. 1st Vice-President Kent Smith called the meeting to order at 7:30. He thanked everyone for coming. He acknowledged Senator Tom McInnis on his new life in Ottawa.
2. Ralph LeBlanc approved the minutes of September 5, 2012 as circulated and they were seconded by Mark Krause.
3. NEW Business :

FALL BANQUET: Postponed indefinitely.

JEFF HOGG: re: Rural Economic Development of Provincial Government.
November 7th: Business owners - a 20 minute presentation for Eastern Shore and surrounding areas. There is funding available to put packages together to answer the question 'What are our needs'? They are looking for feedback.

Committee Reports:

- ART SOCIETY: Sandy absent. No report
- FRIENDS OF TAYLOR'S HEAD BEACH: Warren absent. No report.
- HERITAGE SOCIETY: John Wood relayed a message from Philip and Stella Boutilier that Mark DeJonge, Olympic Bronze Medalist will be at Harbourview Lodge at 2 pm, October 6th. The Heritage website has an entry in the NS Museum collection website. This gives more exposure than ever before. There is a meeting on 13 October at Memory Lane of all museums along the shore of the Eastern Shore Heritage Network.
- TOURISM: The staff was at MacPhee House from May until October and number of visitors was above average. There will be a Kiosk painting party on October 20th. During a recent rain, the boardwalk moved. There is another solution needed. There needs to be a serious conversation about a long term waterfront program.
- SHAD: Wayne Malay is an on-site representative when projects are underway. The school is going ahead, a community centre. They are planning to have a member of the Port Authority Governance Committee /NSBI one of the members of the Development Corporation re: Port management to ensure full potential utilization.
- RURAL TRANSPORTATION: Harold absent. No report.

- December 5, 2012 : Annual Christmas Wine and Cheese; 7 pm; The Wheel House, Lion's Centre.
- Tree Lighting at MacPhee House (6:30 pm) and Parade : Sunday, November 25.
- Marike Finlay announced that Dr. Alexandra Morton will speak at the request of the Association of Preservation of the Eastern Shore (APES) at ESWA on October 12 at 7 pm. She has been brought here from BC by Dalhousie University to speak about her 20 years of experience of Aquaculture Farms (Salmon Farms) and the economics and community impact.
- Guest Speaker Doug Keating , Mine Manager for Port Dufferin Mines, spoke about the objectives of the company Ressources Appalaches:
 - To date they have hired 4 permanent staff and 4-6 casual workers onsite.
 - Their main focus is looking at the site and preparing to move forward to production.
 - The company spent three years researching productivity at Dufferin Mines and is in the exploration stage and heading to production.
 - They have support from a strong corporate Board of Directors .
 - Their priority is a safe work place and they have a commitment to trained Mine Rescue Team development.
 - They have a 'safe environment' to do what it takes to do it right.
 - They wish to support local businesses with a considerable amount spent on salaries, accommodations, food, and the hardware store.
 - They intend to have a Community Liaison Committee (CLC) in Port Dufferin with a public meeting scheduled for mid November. -They continue to work with the Job Search Centre as their commitment is to hire local and intend to offer training.
 - They are building a data bank and encourage workers to drop off their resumes to the Job Search Centre.
- George Child reported they have started drilling at The Tank site.
- Wayne Malay stated that summer employee, Scott Sharpe, did an excellent job on the sidewalk upkeep over the summer.
- Ruby Gammon noted that the trees at Elmhurst have been growing and blocking the view for the residents.
- Ruby spoke about the Walk About message challenging people to start this project in their work place. Check it out at Heart and Stroke NS .ca Jody Taker has pedometers at HRM Recreation.

5. NEXT MEETING: November 7, 2012 , 7:30 pm

6. ADJOURNMENT: Dawn Howe-Power called for adjournment.

Respectively Submitted
 Janice C. Christie
 Recording Officer