

**Sheet Harbour and Area Chamber of Commerce
& Civic Affairs**

General Meeting Minutes

November 2, 2016

In Attendance: Dawn Howe-Power, Marilyn Munroe, Anthony Farris, Cathy Farris, Trevor Gammon, Wendy MacKenzie, Jack Marshall, Rebecca Atkinson, Meryl Atkinson, Myrene Keating-Owen, Deanna Currie, Janet McKinnon, Vance Thompson, George Child, Warren Parsons, Penny Farris, Mark Krause, Ed Empringham, Andy Wright, Deanna Parks, Sue Levy, Candace MacKean, Jody Taker Robert Moser

Regrets: Susan Boutilier, Wayne Malay, Sandy Moser, Anthony Turner

Robert called the meeting together at 7:35 pm and welcomed all

Minutes of October 5, 2016 where approved as circulated by Vance Thompson and Wendy MacKenzie

Business arising from the Minutes- None

Committee Reports:

- **Taylor Head Park-** Warren reported that the brush has been cut back, improvements to the road, and work has been done on the trails. He reminded us that it is closer to park on the Old Taylor Head Road if you want to walk to the beach after the gates close. He will write a letter to the Minister to thank him for all his assistance with the improvements to the park.
- **Marina/Moorings-** Cathy reported that the sites may have to be surveyed. The application is now on MLA Lloyd Hines's desk for approval. Alex Cope, Band Manager is planning a meeting with band members from Sheet Harbour/Beaverdam to discuss the possibility of the Marina at the Sheet Harbour wharf.
- **Sheet Harbour Port Authority** – There has been an increase in traffic and anticipating more. Hopefully a boat will be in every six weeks.
- **WITAP/Tourism** – No formal report, slow right now but an application has been submitted for funding for stage two
- **Business Committee** - The present courses will be completed at the end of November. It was decided to have a winter class on Web Site Design. The class will take place on Monday either from 10- 2 or 11-3. Financial Planning and Accounting may be the courses offered in the spring. The winter class has 6 signed up for it therefore 6 more seats are available. Some discussion took place around what to do with the money that is generated from the courses, \$1000 each. This will be discussed further at a later date.

Lions Centre/Community Centre - The Lions Centre will be closed for the winter on Nov 15th. After another inspection in March it will be decided if it can re-open in April. During the closure the Legion have graciously offered to host Lions events there. Please still book with Tanya and then she will coordinate the dates with Vance. The stream table will be moved from the Lions Centre to the kitchen upstairs at the Legion. HRM will cover the heat/lights and plowing during the winter.

The Lions Centre was our Comfort Centre in cause of severe storms this needs to be addressed since the Centre will be closed.

The design for the new school will be going out for tender by the end of November. The Community Consultation Committee will be travelling to South Queens to look at a school there that we may model.

Bridget Boutilier and David Hendsbee should be contacted to ask for suggestions as to what that Chamber should do next regarding enhancements to the new school.

Atlantic Gold- Community Liaison Committee- A new committee has been formed with two members from the past. The committee meet on October 29th and had a tour of the site. They are still in the very early stages of getting things set up. The Community Liaison Committee consists of:

Charles Brown (Musquodobit Harbour)

Jennifer Copage (Sipekne'katik First Nation)

Alex Cope (Millbrook First Nation)

Richard Deale (Middle Musquodoboit)

Gilbert Fahie (Mooseland)

John Kennedy (Pleasant Harbour)

Marilyn Munroe (Sheet Harbour)

Barry Prest (Mooseland)

Marilyn will keep us informed of any info that she is allowed to let us know about.

Christmas Parade - Cathy has the permit. It was decided to start the parade earlier this year. Meet at United Church/Masonic Hall parking lot for 4pm on Sunday December 4th, start at 4 pm. Tree lighting to follow at the MacPhee House. Santa and Mrs. Clause have been invited. Meryl will get candy canes for the children and arrange for cookies through the Lions. Cathy will check with Larry Horton regarding hot chocolate and apple cider. Need to make sure we have cups and napkins. Marilyn to ask Lloyd Hines about attending. HRM float has been booked. David Hendsbee and his wife will be there. Becky to check with Sean Fraser.

There is a tree on the west side of the falls that would be a great Christmas tree. A few trees are down across the walking path and Cathy will check with Richard Boutilier to see if he would clear away the fallen trees and cut down the tree for the tree lighting. Permission will be gotten from DNR before doing this.

Tidal Harmony will be there to provide music. Mark will be away so a MC will have to be arranged as well as the use of a sound system. Dawn will check with Efficiency Nova Scotia regarding the Light Exchange Program.

Central Nova Pre-Budget Consultations – Robert received an email regarding dates for this and will email out to members.

Attentional Items:

- Becky, Penny, Candace, Billy, Terry Robert and Angus **will take care of taking down the banners and getting the wreaths up**
- **Spring Banquet Committee-** Becky, Susan, Meryl, Penny, Ed (Janice will take care of the food)
- **Nominating Committee-** Cathy, Dawn, Wayne
- **Have the provincial flags hung-** perhaps across the bridge for Canada 150
- **Robert purchased a wreath for Remembrance Day for the Chamber-** one of the cadets will lay on our behalf.
- **Heritage Society-** are still meeting at the library on Wednesday at 5pm next meeting will be Nov 16th. They are trying to collect stories from seniors.

Next meeting will be the Holiday Social at the Henley House at 7 pm, members and their guest/partner are asked to bring potluck/finger foods

Meeting was adjourned by Sue Levy

Submitted by

Chamber Secretary,

Dawn L. Howe-Power

Nov 4, 2016