

Bear River Board of Trade Council Meeting Agenda
Monday, September 13, 2010

Call to Order:

Role Call:

Kelly Foxtan called the meeting to order at 7:35 pm.

All directors were present except Rob Buckland-Nicks:

Duff Wilson, Kelly Foxtan, Simone Wilson, Jane Kingston, Larry Knox, Flora Doehler, Peter Tomlin, Jon Welch, Don Rice, Noreen Millar, Erin Schopfer, Rick Jacques

Reading of Previous Council Meeting minutes

Rick moves to adopt meeting minutes. No errors or omissions.

Adoption of Minutes

Business Arising

Louise is doing an inventory of the Museum artifacts and Jane has some ideas for a historical society display for next season.

Fall for Bear River donation:

Total expenses \$1769.85. \$1375.00 in cash received, in kind over \$6000. A request has been sent to Digby Municipality for \$500.

Funds are still needed for set-up, decorating and gas for vans. Simone would like the BOT to sponsor \$200 but would be happy with \$100.

Rick confirms that we have enough money in the bank to offer \$200.

Larry makes a motion that we offer \$200 sponsorship for Fall for Bear River.

Duff seconds.

No contrary minded.

Surplus Inventory

There was only one bite on the Tributary Ad; there are others that had expressed interest prior to the ad so things may still go.

Kelly to talk to Frank Meuse re: nominating Stone Bear for a 2011 ICC Business for Peace Award

Correspondence

- Oakdene rental agreement
Kelly has received a letter from Linda Mae Findlay. If someone steps forward offering pay full price we have right of first refusal. They are OK with us paying \$150 right now.

Rick makes a motion that we continue to pay \$150 to the Oakdene throughout the winter.

Larry seconds

All in agreement.

Don suggests that we explore the option of subletting the room to other groups. Don suggests offering it up to the Rug Hookers, he will send an email to Kris Murdoch.

Treasurer's Report

[get figures from binder]

Erin moves to accept Treasurer's Report.

Flora seconds
No contrary minded

Committee Reports

Operations Committee:

VIC is closed for the season but will open for the F4BR weekend (Sept 24-26). Temporary garbage receptacles for big events will be brought in.

Rick suggests that after F4BR we build one or more garbage containers in the style of the flowerboxes to keep one downtown and one at the Oakdene.

VIC visitor numbers are down about 70 people from last August. General consensus throughout NS is that #s were down due to the heat.

Volunteer committee is in place to trim grass and tidy up the rest of downtown before F4BR.

Membership Committee:

Bear River Brochures have arrived.

ADEDA: Beyond your Business workshop. A spokesperson is willing to come to a general meeting to give a 5 minute presentation on what the workshop has to offer.

Kelly suggests we ask about a 10% discount for BOT members.

Peace Garden:

Joan and Jane are working on the garden. Thank you.

Robbie Bays to start work on the underpins of Trading Co. Bldg. It should be documented. If any one feels up to videoing or taking photos please do so.

New Business

Fall for Bear River BBQ – costs & supplies

Rick has been sourcing things and picking up items at wholesale costs (about a 30% discount.) He is planning on offering higher-end food than just hot dogs and hamburgers, i.e. shrimp, baked potatoes, ribs, etc.

He will need help with Friday set-up, Rick will email directors for help. He is expecting it to cost a couple hundred dollars for BBQ set up.

Simone moves to reimburse Rick for expenses he has paid for thus far.

Erin seconds

No contrary minded.

Holiday Spirit Craft Fair lunch fundraiser

Erin will coordinate kitchen help in early October.

Community Strategy follow up meeting date:

Flora has offered to compile the notes. The executive will then work with the Waterfront Committee to create supporting documentation (architectural concept drawings to be worked on by Kelly and Simone) to be sent in a mail-out after F4BR. Summary and supporting documentation will be uploaded to the website.

Don suggests that we aim for a meeting in the early new year.

Flora suggests that we send out a notice four times a year stating what we have done in the past quarter—this mail-out can initiate this form of communication.

New Business Raised by the floor

Calendar:

Larry makes a motion that we send out a letter to those that submitted photographs apologizing on behalf of the committee that was unable to follow through on their commitments. The letter will also explain that upon further investigation we realized that the best this fundraiser could offer us was the possibility of breaking even.

Erin seconds

No contrary minded

It was agreed that from now all monies brought in from fundraising efforts will be itemized separately in the minutes.

New Business:

Green Lantern Rental / Historical Society:

There hasn't been a directors meeting as of yet. General meeting on the 15th.

The most pressing concern at the moment is sourcing 2 dehumidifiers. Peter suggests that a request for 2 dehumidifiers be placed by Historical Society in Tributary. A call-out for spare dehumidifiers will be given at BOT general meeting and the Historical Society general meeting.

Rick makes a motion that we write a letter asking the Historical Society to give us an update on their intent, for the short term, regarding use of the Green Lantern building.

Larry seconds

No contrary minded

Simone, on behalf of F4BR:

Thanks for the use of the waterfront. Online website a great resource, please check it out.

Date, place, time of next meeting

- Tuesday, Oct. 12, 2010 (Monday Thanksgiving)

Adjournment
