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Chamber of Commerce Minutes of Meeting July 5, 2017 at 5:30 p.m. @ Merrickville District Community Health Center

Present: Executive: Karl Feige, David Ellis, Heather Dallaire, Mike Zaversenuke, Volunteer:
Wayne Trusty

(1) Call to Order:

Karl Feige called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM.

(2) Minutes of Last Meeting (June 5, 2017):

Minutes of May 1, 2017 meeting (written by Mike Zaversenuke) were previously reviewed by Email. Wayne Trusty asked that he be listed as "Volunteer" and minutes were amended.

Motion: Heather Dallaire moved the minutes be accepted. David Ellis seconded and the motion was approved by all.

(3) Old Business: No outstanding old business to discuss.

(4) New Business: The following items were discussed:

(5) Info Center / Public Washrooms: Karl Feige discussed the ongoing work on the Public Washroom. Although the Lions has cancelled their financial support (results of Lions meeting on June 4) the Chamber was still working on the public washroom design and had created draft drawings with an architect that were presented. The public washroom is on hold as without the Lions contribution we would need to find seed money to look for government grant funding.

(6) Economic Development: The Economic Development committee needs to know the status of the public washroom project by Sept (for budget purposes) and asked that the Chamber make a presentation on July 10. Subsequently, Karl and David Simpson (architect) presented the public washroom draft designs to the Committee. The Chamber asked the Committee to support the Public Washroom project but the Committee said they would consider it.

Karl sent a letter to the Mayor and Economic Development committee asking that Mike Zaversenuke be appointed as a Committee member so that a Chamber representative would be on the Committee.

(7) Flags: The removal of the St Lawrence Street flags was discussed. Although the flags were paid for by the Chamber and installed by the Chamber, the village removed them and then called a meeting with Karl Feige and Mike Zaversenuke to inform the Chamber that they were not allowed to go on village property unless we obtained permission. One option discussed was to give the flags to the merchants to put on their businesses.

(8) Pop Up tent: The Chamber pop up tent for Canada Day was discussed.

(9) Friends of Chamber: Karl Feige discussed making a "Friends of the Chamber" listing of business and non business support volunteers.

(10) Membership Benefits: Mike Zaversenuke presented a Chamber benefits listing that he asked the executive to review and comment on. The benefits listing would then be distributed to all Chamber members.

Adjournment:

Next meeting Monday July 17, 2017 at 5:30 PM at Merrickville Community Health Center.

Motion: David Ellis moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:00 PM, Mike Zaversenuke seconded and all agreed.