

Board Meeting Minutes June 20th, 2024

Present: Tyler Schroeder, Derek Hamilton, Stéphane Warnock, Susan Lee, Mariyam Tsygankova, Derek Wiebe, Zoria Constantino, Connie Pauls, Leah Olson, Clare Agnew.

Guest: Chris Willsey, Chairperson Morden Community Development Corporation.

Regrets: Brent Laverty

Welcome and Call to Order 12:05

Agenda: MOTION: D. Hamilton/D. Wiebe. To adopt the agenda with the revision for the Next Meeting date to show August 22. **CARRIED.**

Conflicts of Interest: nothing noted.

Minutes: MOTION: S. Warnock/C. Pauls. To adopt minutes of May 16, 2024 board meeting as presented. **CARRIED.**

Special Guest Presentation: Chris Willsey shared an overview of MCDC. Their objective is to "employ its property, assets and rights for the sole purpose of promoting or aiding in the promotion and development of economic activities in Morden by which permanent development and jobs will be created withing the City."

Treasurer's Report: Motion: D. Hamilton/D. Wiebe. To adopt the Treasurer's report as presented. **CARRIED.**

Election of Treasurer: Motion: D. Hamilton/Z. Constantino. To appoint Connie Pauls as the Treasurer for the Morden Chamber of Commerce. **CARRIED.**

Signing Authority: Motion: D. Hamilton/M. Tsygankova. To remove D. Hamilton as a signing authority and add C. Pauls, Treasurer as a signing authority on the Morden Chamber of Commerce Account. **CARRIED.**

Member Feedback: new standing line item on our agenda. Board Members are encouraged to share feedback from Members. Examples shared today:

- Wasterwater infrastructure not allowing for developments
- Morden businesses need to support Morden businesses.
- Workforce shortage concerns.
- Wastewater concerns.

Menzies Medical Centre appointment: Motion: S. Lee/C. Pauls To appoint S. Warnock to be the Chamber representative on the Menzies Medical Centre Board. Carried.

Board Self-Assessment Review: D. Wiebe reviewed the results of the survey. The Board felt this was a good process on an annual basis. One concern for follow up, the Board would like to have input on the Executive Director performance review.

Executive Director Report: Received for information. Two updates: Clare working on Membership collections, 24 out of 254 membership fees outstanding. New Members: PJ Trailers.

Committee Reports:

- Committee Assignments (Mariyam Member Services, Connie Advocacy and Governance, and Leah – Networking, Promotions & Event)
- Advocacy & Governance



- Policy Revisions: Motion: S. Warnock/D. Wiebe To accept the Policy Revisions as distributed. CARRIED
- Member Services: No formal report. Continue to work on website.
- Networking, Events & Promotions: Meeting notes provided as information.
- Executive: Nothing new to report.
- Chairperson: Report shared for information. Working on gathering information on the economic impact of the wastewater crises on the business community.
- 2. New Business
- 3. Old Business
 - Exploring New Revenue Streams
- 4. Adjourn: D. Wiebe/D. Hamilton. CARRIED

Next Meetings: Board Meeting on August 22, 2024

Upcoming Events: September 14 – Cider Brisket & Beer (tentative)

September 24 – Inspire Wellness @ Bella's Castle (tentative) September 26 – Your Region, Your Voice @ Zara's Garden

October 21 to 25 - Small Business Week

November 13 – Lunch & Learn

November 14 – Wrapping Up a Morden Christmas