



## Board Meeting Minutes March 21, 2024

**Present:** Tyler Schroeder, Stéphane Warnock, Susan Lee, Brent Laverty, Derek Hamilton, Derek Wiebe, Clare Agnew.

**Regrets:** Zoraia Constantino, Grant Nicholson

**Welcome and Call to Order:** 12:06

**Agenda: MOTION: D. Hamilton/D. Wiebe.** To adopt the agenda as presented. **CARRIED.**

**Conflicts of Interest:** nothing noted.

**Minutes: MOTION: D. Hamilton/B. Laverty.** To adopt minutes of February 15, 2024 board meeting as presented. **CARRIED.**

**Treasurer's Report: Motion: D. Hamilton/S. Warnock.** To adopt treasurer report. **CARRIED.** D. Hamilton made two changes to 2024 budget: reduced meeting expense by \$1500 and increased rental expense by \$1000. **Motion: D. Hamilton/D. Wiebe.** Approve the 2024 Revised Budget. **CARRIED.** Asked to add in YTD from same time last year on the report. Suggestion: if there is surplus money we should invest it in a short term investment to earn the interest. Eg. Prime linked GIC @ RBC.

**Payroll. MOTION: D. Wiebe/B. Laverty.** To set up payroll electronically, making note that this by-passes our requirement for two signatures. **CARRIED.**

**Executive Director Report:** attached for your review. Additional notes:

Business After Hours: only a few registered, please come if possible.

Credit Card Option has been used.

Two Student volunteers have started, Tashvee and Soleen.

Children's Market June 3 at the Maple Leaf School. The Chamber has been asked to be the judges.

T. Schroeder: AGM. Please invite your colleagues and committee volunteers to join us.

Newsletter – promote event, include by-law changes, include notice of motion of by law revisions. Send out documents to anyone that is registered a week before the event, including agenda, budget and by laws.

Thank you cards, seem to be well received.

### **Committee Reports:**

- **Advocacy & Leadership: MOTION: S. Warnock/D. Wiebe.** To recommend the By Laws be presented for approval at the Morden Chamber of Commerce AGM. **CARRIED. Policies:** the committee is working on a few changes and will try to have them ready for the next meet.
- **Executive:** nothing new to report.
- **Membership:** Survey: Shared two copies of the survey, one with all the data and one that summarizes the information from the city's questions. Questions 19-22 were from the city, and the answers have been shared with Jay Dyck. **MOTION: S. Lee/B. Laverty. To post the PDF document of the survey results on the website. CARRIED.** Discussion if



we should be meeting with the Mayor and City Manager to share results. Suggestion that we meet with Jay to share the results, what our actions were resulting from the information.

- Networking, Events & Promotions: nothing new to report.
- Nominating Committee: Mariyam Tsygankova from Many Hands confirmed. Brent met with Leah Rampton from Morden Nurseries, she is considering. Tyler meeting with Connie Pauls from Decor.

#### **New Business**

Nothing new.

#### **Old Business**

**Exploring New Revenue Streams**: on going consideration.

**Sponsorship Packages**: Clare working on the package for 2025. Need to review with feedback from the survey in mind. Will distribute to the board for review.

**Adjourn: D. Hamilton/B. Lavery. 1:15 CARRIED.**

**Next Meeting:** April 11, 2024.