

Board Meeting Minutes June 19th, 2025

Present: Tyler Schroeder, Connie Pauls, Derek Hamilton, Mariyam Tsygankova, Derek Wiebe, Leah Olsen, Clare Agnew

Regrets: Brenty Laverty, Stéphan Warnock, Nicole Walske, Zoria Constantino

Welcome and Call to Order at 12:05pm

Agenda: MOTION: M. Tsygankova /C. Pauls. To adopt the agenda as presented. **CARRIED.**

Conflicts of Interest: None

Minutes: MOTION: D. Hamilton/D. Wiebe. To adopt May 15, 2025, the board meeting minutes as presented. **CARRIED.**

Treasurer's Report: Motion: C. Pauls/D. Hamilton. To adopt the Treasurers report as presented. **CARRIED.** The City of Morden Funding has not been received as of today.

Budget: MOTION: C. Pauls/D. Hamilton. To adopt the revised budget as presented. Include provision for casual help over summer vacation.

Member Feedback: Patrick Ray expressed sincere appreciation for the Nine & Dine Golf Tournament on June 5, 2025. Great feedback from golfers and sponsors. Certainly one of our main events.

Executive Director Report. Report provided. Clare reviewed information from Chamber call. AI initiative with the province and MB Chamber; MB Green Advantage program- grants available for businesses; Chamber Tour coming to Morden in the fall; Advocacy Day will happen in the fall; Working on 4 policies: a) reducing interprovincial trade barriers, b) addressing work force shortages, c) opportunities for the North/Port of Churchill, d) Doctors of Manitoba – eliminate sick notes. Participated in the city's Secondary Planning session yesterday.

Committee Reports:

- **Advocacy & Governance:** Nothing to report.
- **Member Services:** Nothing to report. Meeting planned for July 2025.
- **Networking, Events & Promotions:** The Annual Nine & Dine Golf Tournament took place on June 5, 2025. Requested feedback from sponsors. Will review as a committee.
- **Executive:** Met with the City of Morden June 10; quarterly meetings are scheduled. Noted a positive and forward discussion. 4 main topics: a) downtown tree wells – Chamber asking if trees can be planted rather than concreting them over. b) Suncatch – Chamber expressed thank you for the modified approach to the street closure. c) wastewater update – Council shared a positive press release June 18 with their plan forward. d) review of the policy resolution that was approved at the Manitoba Chamber AGM and thanked the city for their support.

New Business

- **Correspondence:** Nothing to report.

Old Business

- **Exploring New Event Ideas:** Farmer's event in the fall.

Adjourn 12:52 pm: D. Hamilton/D. Wiebe. CARRIED.

Next Board Meeting: July 17th, 2025