

Barriere & Area Chamber of Commerce Tuesday, March 19, 2019 @ 6 p.m.

Attendance: Bill Kershaw, Lana Laskovic, Wim Houben, Franz Friesinger, Bryan Smith, Scott Kershaw, Rick Shervey, Cindy Shervey, Jill Hayward, Rick Weik, J. Montroy

Absent: MaryAnn Shewchuk, Lindsay Arcand, & Jennifer Stanley.

Meeting called to order at 6:03 p.m.

Approval of Minutes: Lana Laskovic, seconded by Wim Houben.

Approval of Agenda: Jill Hayward, seconded by Bryan Smith.

Old Business:

- 1. TRU Bill gave the board an update on the chambers position with TRU regarding the rental of additional office space. Lianne reported that we have received TRU's PO for their rent and payment for their rent should be coming very soon.
- 2. Sage Program Lianne reported that the she was unable to use the cheaper version of Sage because it would not work with Lana's version. The chamber decided to look for a more cost-efficient alternative for next year.
- 3. Signing Authority Bill reported that all the changes of signers have been completed.
- 4. Member Rewards Lana reported that the member rewards were moved to another account that will draw more interest.
- 5. Term Deposits Lana and Bill met with Interior Saving and moved our term deposits to a higher interest earning term deposit.

New Business:

- PN Program Bill Kershaw reported that he would be attending a meeting with the district on Friday regarding the PN Program. He said that they have already received 8 resumes that they would be analyzing on Friday.
- Scholarship The board agreed that Leanna Mitchell had met the criteria for her scholarship and a cheque would be sent out to Leanna. This year, Bill Kershaw, Lana Laskovic & Jennifer Stanley will be choosing the grad that will receive the Chambers 2019 scholarship. Bill Kershaw will present the award at the Grad Commencement Ceremonies on May 24, 2019.

- 3. Office Rentals Lianne reported to the board that our office rentals are successful. We have one office rented through to the end of 2019. We have another office potentially rented, we're just waiting for confirmation.
- 4. Parking Lot Bill proposed developing our parking lot into a town square. Lana proposed that the chamber find some more planters for the square. Lana made a motion to buy flowers for the planters, Franz seconded the motion. The board voted to spend \$200 on flowers for the flower boxes. Bill found a company that will be coming to suck the gravel out of the drain pipes and then fix the big holes in the parking lot. Scott made a motion that we check with the district about having vendors in the square, Franz seconded the motion. The board voted yes on all of the above-mentioned items.
- 5. Summer Student Lianne reported that she checked into the summer student funding status, there will not be any decisions made until April regarding funding.

Financials: Lana presented the financials to the board. Scott made a motion to form a committee that would form a budget for the chamber. Rick Weik seconded the motion. Scott, Lana, Cindy, Franz & Jennifer will sit on the committee. Wim Houben accepted the financials, Franz Friesinger seconded.

North Thompson Fall Fair Report – Jill Hayward gave a report on what the NTFF has coming up.

TNRD Report – Bill Kershaw gave a report on the TNRD.

District of Barriere – Wim Houben gave a report on the District of Barriere

Adjournment: @ 7:25 pm