

Doug Anderson – Chair	Betty's	P	Chamber of Commerce Representative Annely Armstrong	A
Ted Debenetti – Co-Chair A Buck or Two		A	RRFDC – Geoff Gillon	A
George Emes IPC Securities		P	John Albanese – Town Councilor Town of Fort Frances	A
Richard Boileau McTaggart's		P	Shelley Wepruk Secretary	P
Marie Therese Metke Pharmsave		P	Jennifer Greenhalgh	A
Pat Gartshore Gartsh's		A		
Mike Tullio Nirvana Spa		A		

## Guests: Blair Anderson

### 1. Call to Order , Call for Conflict of Interest, Call for Agenda Additions

Doug Anderson opened the meeting. The meeting was called to order at 8:00 a.m. The Agenda and minutes were circulated to the members for review. Members were asked for any agenda additions or conflicts of interest, none were noted.

### 2. Approval of Minutes

#### B.I.A Board of Management Meeting – 10 July, 2013

Copies of the minutes from the 12 June, 2013 Board of Management Meeting were circulated for review and approval. The following motion was made;

**Motion #1 Richard Boileau/George Emes**

TO accept the minutes presented of the 12 June, 2013 Regular Board of Management Meeting as presented.  
Also to ratify all motions made on that date.

**No against or abstentions**

**CARRIED**

### 3. Accounts Payable & Financial Report

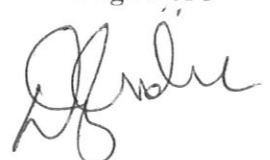
Accounts payable for June were circulated for review.

**Motion # 2 George Emes/Richard Boileau**

To accept the total payable dated June for payment in the amount of \$5,876.71

**No against or abstentions**

**All in agreement - CARRIED**



#### **4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

**Finance and Administration Committee** – We are still under budget at this time. To date we have spent the following approximate amounts: \$3,500.00 advertising  
4,000.00 maintenance

**Promotions Committee** – We are now on facebook! Check us out at [www.facebook.com/downtownfortfrances.com](http://www.facebook.com/downtownfortfrances.com).

Mall Day: Chrysler, Ford and Badiuk Equipment all participated and were very happy with results. It would appear that most of the downtown merchants were pleased as well.

Moose and deer hunting seasons open 1 week early this year. Remember to do a hunting theme if possible in your windows and advertising as it does not correspond with Thanksgiving.

The committee will be gathering a list of agencies who participated in Mall Day this year and will send a letter of invite next year to those who did.

Santa Clause Parade: Do we want to pursue the idea of a stationary parade this year. This would consist of having Santa in front of museum for picture taking. Floats could be built by interested parties on street from 8 am until 1 pm. Parade would open to public at 1 pm with judging of floats to take place at 4 pm.

Best Start is willing to participate with winter projects. Discussion was held regarding having kids make large wooden ornament to hang in the trees. They could paint and decorate them for display.

Discussion was held regarding the current Xmas decorations. A thought was to have the lights taken off the stars and replaced with tinsel and perhaps solar mini lights. George will be ordering the necessary supplies and the committee will work on setting one up to see how it looks.

**Maintenance Committee** – We will be documenting our planters, trees, etc. for future reference. It was decided to include these expenditures in our applications for government monies as it will show our intent to the government bodies who consider financial applications. It will also be reported in our Annual General Minutes report to the local BIA members.

A letter will be drawn up for business owners regarding the condition of the Rainy Lake Hotel. Owners can keep the letter on hand and have visitors sign. It will also list where concerned people can complain with

their concerns over the overall condition of the building and the smell that is permeating from the building onto the street.

The BIA now has 9 tents that are for member usage.

## **5. Closing & Setting of Next Board Meeting**

The next meeting date will be 14 August, @ 8:00 a.m. at the BIA office.

**PLEASE NOTE THAT ALL MEETINGS WILL NOW BE HELD ON THE SECOND WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH AT 8:00 A.M. AT THE BOARD ROOM UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTIFIED.**

Meeting closed at 9:15 a.m.

**Motion #2 Marie-Therese Metke closed meeting.**