

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



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 – 14 August, 2013

Copies of the minutes from the 10 July, 2013 Board of Management Meeting were circulated for review and approval. The following motion was made;

Motion #1 Richard Boileau/Shelley Wepruk

TO accept the minutes presented of the 10 July, 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 August were circulated for review.

Motion # 2 Pat Gartshore/Richard Boileau

To accept the total payable dated June for payment in the amount of \$2,278.78

No against or abstentions

All in agreement - CARRIED

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Finance and Administration Committee – Advertising is still under budget but there will be bills coming in next month so should be close to budget by then.

George attended meeting on Tuesday in Kenora from which \$275,000.00 was granted to RRFDC. There is money with NOHFC for projects for urban renewal.

Jennifer also gave a summary of monies available for entrepreneurship.

Promotions Committee – The idea of a stationary parade was visited once again. It could be called the “Festival of Frost” and consist of sidewalk sale, flatbed trucks with floats, etc. A stage could be set-up in front of the Rainy Lake Hotel to be used on Saturdays for carolers, etc. To do this, however, the snow must be removed. The BIA would very much appreciate volunteers to help with parade and sit on a sub-committee. We highly encourage EVERY business to participate and make this event a reality.

The Chamber just got a summer student for the year to do planning of events. We could use this resource to plan the festival.

There has been an interest expressed by visitors for ice fishing expeditions. People who are here temporarily would like to have the opportunity to experience this.
ordering the necessary supplies and the committee will work on setting one up to see how it looks.

Richard mentioned that the Kraft Celebration Tour would like downtown to decorate their stores. Theme must include either Kraft or TSN.

Maintenance Committee – Joe Kinese carved one of the dead tree in the downtown core. Response has been overwhelming from the public. It now needs to be varnished and should last approx.. 40 years if maintained properly.

Discussion was held re suggesting to the Town pushing the snow in the middle of the street for pick-up rather than the present method they are using.

There is a build-up of sand on the sidewalks. BIA members – PLEASE SWEEP YOUR SIDEWALKS IN FRONT OF YOUR BUSINESS.

The snowflake decorations are in dire need of a make-over.

Marie-Therese gave a description of product and specs regarding it for products we could use on the snowflakes. Discussion was held regarding the usage of household or commercial products in regards to them. Snowflakes need painting within the next 3 weeks to be ready for Christmas season. The committee is to hire Bob Gillon to paint the snowflakes to see how long the process takes. It will then be decided the best method to use in redoing them. Doug has cold storage we can use to store them now.

5. Closing & Setting of Next Board Meeting

The next meeting date will be 11 September, @ 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.