

Richard Boileau – Chair McTaggart's	A	Chamber of Commerce Representative Annely Armstrong	A
Deb Emes B93	P	RRFDC – Geoff Gillon	A
Jenny Greenhalgh	P	John Albanese – Town Councilor Town of Fort Frances	P
Shelley Wepruk – Secretary Northland Title Searching	P	Scott Krienke-Turvey Ink Spatz Apparel	P
Marie Therese Metke Pharmasave	A	Kim Nicholson	P
Pat Garshore Garth's	A		
Jennifer Horton Curvy Chicks	P		
Doug Anderson & Blair Anderson Guests	P		



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

Jenny Greenhalgh opened the meeting. The meeting to was called to order at 6:10 p.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 & Annual General Meeting – 9 April, 2015

Copies of the minutes from the 11 March, 2015 Board of Management Meeting & Annual General Meeting of 27 March, 2014 were circulated for review and approval. The following motion was made:

Motion #1 John Albanese/Shelley Wepruk for BMM & Deb Emes/Kim Nicholson for AGM
TO accept the minutes presented of the 11 March, 2015 Board of Management Meeting as presented.
TO accept the minutes presented of the 27 March, 2014 Annual General Meeting as presented.
Also to ratify all motions made on that date.
No against or abstentions
CARRIED

3. Accounts Payable & Financial Report

Motion #2 John Albanese/Shelley Wepruk
TO accept the total payable for March in the amount of ~~\$322.05~~ 729.98
No against or abstentions
CARRIED

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Finance and Administration Committee

1 Budget was presented. Stays the same except for the advertising portion. It has been increased.

Motion #3 John Albanese/Jennifer Horton
TO accept budget as reported.
No against or abstentions
CARRIED

Promotions Committee

1. Easter Egg Hunt: well received and wonderful, over 300 participants
2. Now in process of promoting Scott Street
3. Promoting Dudley Hewitt Cup at month end.
4. Doug discussed “The Ant” project. It would be a unique and new idea for the town. We need to take a good look at it for a downtown promotion.
5. Sheets showing upcoming commercials were handed out.
6. It was discussed to put up ‘HELP’ signs outside businesses. The idea is to have tourists enter our businesses to help them find what they are looking for downtown.
7. We need more people on the promotions committee to implement new ideas.

Maintenance Committee

- 1 Spring Baskets – Good to go with wave petunias. Baskets are being done by Hammonds this year.
2. Sidewalks need to wait until frost out of ground before we can evaluate them and their condition.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Snowflakes: Chamber may have a home for them
2. Easter Egg Hunt: put on calendar for next year. All positive. Change time next year however.
3. HOPC: Yes we want it.
4. Moving Mural: ask town to move it
5. Redo Murals: we have permission from some of artists but can’t do anything until temp. is above 10C
6. Map: will be done when Rainy Lake Hotel comes down

Motion #4 Deb Emes/Scott Krinke-Turvey
TO purchase petunias, spikes and vines for our baskets from Hammond’s Landscaping
No against or abstentions
CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS

1. Mall Days: bouncy toys will be looked after by Jen.
2. Street Closure: follow up with town
3. Early Iron Show: follow up with town re street closure
4. Bass Tournament: Shelley presented information re the Show & Shine
5. Flag Poles: on burner for time being
6. Calendar of Events: Working on it
7. Horticultural Society: Invite members to our next meeting
8. Birdhouses & Bugs: take approach the same as last time
9. HST: Shelley to talk to Laurie at town re HST paid

5. Closing & Setting of Next Board Meeting

Motion # 4 Scott Krienk3-Turvey

To close the meeting

No against or abstentions

All in agreement – CARRIED

The next meeting date will be 13 May @ 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 7:45 pm