



"Building bridges to better business in Augusta, Prescott and Edwardsburgh/Cardinal"

CALL TO ORDER: President Dan Cook welcomed everyone. 12:07PM

PRESENT FROM BOARD: President Dan Cook (Chair), Treasurer Brent Laton (by proxy), Directors- Cheryl Arcand, Angela Thompson, Bonnie Pidgeon-Gommert, Ted Livingston

REGRETS: Directors- Jeff Morris, Tim MacKay, Lisa Temple and Gerry Hasiuk

GUESTS: – Mayor of the Town of Prescott- Brett Todd, Mike Ostrander representing the Town of Prescott, Luc Gosling of Metal Graphics Ltd., Sandra Lawn representing the Prescott BIA

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

MOVED BY: TED LIVINGSTON

To approve the Agenda as amended.

SECONDED BY: CHERYL ARCAND

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVAL OF PAST MINUTES:

MOVED BY: BONNIE PIDGEON-GOMMERT

That the June 2016 minutes of the South Greenville Chamber of Commerce were received in its entirety with the exception of a request for clarification made by Cheryl Arcand regarding the South Greenville Chamber of Commerce Charlie McFarlane Golf Tournament. Let it be known that Cheryl Arcand requested a final expense report to clarify the total profit of the Charlie McFarlane Golf Tournament 2016. Once the expense report is received from the Treasurer the approximate profits mentioned in the June Minutes may need to be changed.

SECONDED BY: TED LIVINGSTON

MOTION CARRIED

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: PRESENTED BY DAN COOK

- **Introduction of guests:** All guests of the June meeting have been introduced previously.
- **President's Report to be discussed in the Board Members Meeting following open discussions.**

TREASURER'S REPORT: BRENT LATON

- Nothing to report until August 2016

SECRETARY'S REPORT: PRESENTED BY DAN COOK

- Nothing to report

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. MEMBERSHIPS –BONNIE PIDGEON-GOMMERT

- Nothing to report

2. FINANCE – Funding Request PRESENTED BY DAN COOK

- a. Nothing to report

3. PROGRAM AND PLANNING – PRESENTED BY CHERYL ARCAND

- a. Scheduling of the Awards Night Banquet will take place within the next few weeks.
- b. Cheryl, Angela & Bonnie will meet to discuss the Awards Night Banquet (location, call for nominations, speakers, presenters, auction items etc.) on August 3, 2016 and will report on progress during the August Board of Directors meeting.

Information: Mayor Brett Todd requested that the South Grenville Chamber avoid Monday evening bookings for events as it causes a conflict with the Prescott Town Council meetings.

4. KEY INITIATIVES – PRESENTED BY DAN COOK

- Dan Roddick, Past President and current Chair of the Key Initiatives Committee has resigned from the South Grenville Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors. Current President, Dan Cook, expressed gratitude on behalf of the Chamber for his many years of service to the business community in South Grenville.

5. Liaison Reports:

BIA – SANDRA LAWN

- The BIA was unsuccessful in getting an intern
- Sandra Lawn expressed thanks to the 2016 Community in Bloom Volunteers
- Urban Forest Report to go to Prescott Council
- 4 fold brochure with map of the Town of Prescott and it's attractions is being produced and distributed
- Taste of Prescott 2016 was a success

Information: Prescott BIA meetings are held the first Wednesday of every month and all are welcome.

TOWN OF PRESCOTT- MIKE OSTRANDER

- Town clock has been repaired and the back lighting system has been ordered
- The final two blocks of the St. Lawrence water main repairs has been approved
- Ashley Furniture Store a go for mid-September opening
- Community in Bloom judges were in Prescott July 15, 2016 and a reception was hosted at the Prescott Town Hall

- The River Walk Park official opening is scheduled for Labour Day weekend, more information to come.

TOWN OF PRESCOTT- MAYOR BRETT TODD

- A St. Lawrence 401 Corridor Economic Development Commission is being formed based on the Bay of Quinte model (1994) and are seeking support from Councils. Next discussion meeting will take place after Labour Day.
- Moving forward with government grant funding for business retention and expansion initiatives

AUGUSTA TOWNSHIP

- No representative present

TOWNSHIP OF EDWARDSBURGH/CARDINAL

- No representative present

GDFDC

- No representative present

Information: Bonnie Grommert (GDFDC Board Member) reported that the GDFDC Annual General Meeting was hosted by the new distillery last month, more information to come.

AJOURNMENT OF CHAMBER MEETING 12:55PM

MOVED BY: DAN COOK

SECONDED BY: CHERYL ARCAND

MOTION CARRIED.