

Springhill & Area Chamber Of Commerce

Minutes

January 28th, 2009

Lamp Cabin Restaurant

In Attendance: (attendees

Adrien Baillargeon, President

Mary Dee MacPherson, Secretary

Harold Delaney, Treasurer

Doug Marshall, Vice President

Anne Newman

Jennifer Gogan

Shelia Allen

Caroline Torrie

Rev. Frank Likely

Pam Adams

Regrets: Carys Wood

Janet Reid

	Action
<p>Call to Order and Welcome by the President</p> <p><u>Approval of Agenda:</u> with 2 additions 7(e) Chilli Willie week and 7(f) meeting with Mayor Dill. Moved by Doug. Marshall, seconded by Carolyn McLeod that the agenda be approved with the additions.</p> <p><u>Approval of Minutes:</u> Moved by Harold Delaney, seconded by Jennifer Gogan that the minutes be approved as read.</p> <p>Business Arising From the Minutes: <u>Hosting of Web page:</u> The web page is operational, the President will forward the web address to all members.</p> <p><u>Banners:</u> The problem with the banners is being dealt with by Janet Reid, the letter has been forwarded and addressed. The banners are being removed and repaired.</p> <p><u>AGM:</u> Carolyn Torrie (member of the Committee) reported that the date has been rescheduled to 25th February at the Dr. Carson and Marion Murray Community Centre. The guest speaker is Neal Conrad, Director of Community and Rural development. The events starts at six and roast beef dinner will be served. Tickets are available at a cost of \$20.00 per person. The Committee has selected a business of the year to be recognized at our AGM. Mary Dee, Harold and Carolyn are committee</p>	

members and will be working with Pam to finalize the details. Anne Newman to select the thank you gift.

Correspondence: Janet Reid requested the Chamber sponsor the upcoming e-Business Workshop. The President has done this and provided the logo to Janet Reid for inclusion in the document . This is at no cost to the Chamber. The only request is to promote the event to the members.

Reports: Nil

New Business:

AGM: The committee is working on this event. The upcoming nominated officers for the fiscal year 2009-2010 are as follows:

President: Anne Newman,

Vice-President Rev. Frank Likely, **Treasurer,** Harold Delaney, **Secretary,** Mary Dee MacPherson

Anne Newman has agreed to continue her role as Tourism representative.

Adrien Baillargeon has agreed to continue his role as Web designer and membership.

Business/Person of the Year award: This is being worked on by the Committee. It was suggested that the chamber get input from the business community for future selections. This could be accomplished by putting out a press release.

Identify theft Awareness: This is a seminar for Identify theft awareness seminar which would be presented by Constable Kenny J. Jackson. The chamber agreed that this was a very important seminar and it should be offered to all the businesses or interested parties. Jennifer Gogan suggested we host it at the Cumberland Campus. The President to meet with Constable Jackson to discuss this venue.

Recruitment of Doctors: Carolyn Torrie, a member, outlined the mandate of this committee, sponsored by the Town. The purpose is recruitment and retention. Doug Marshall pointed out that the Health Authority is in the process of hiring a recruitment person for all of Cumberland.

Chilli Willi Carnival: A letter was received from Pam Adams, Director of Leisure Services, requesting that the Chamber participate in this carnival. The dates for the carnival are from February 21 to February 28. The chamber is included in the schedule of events and the event is the AGM on Feb. 25th.

<p><u>Meeting with the Mayor:</u> The president has arranged to meet with the Mayor next week to discuss unsitely premises and the processes that are involved. Suggestions from the members were as follows: Signage for the Golf Course and Anne Murray signage, signage at the bottom of Junction Road, who is responsible for it. the Community campus wanted to change their information.</p> <p>Town Owned land – selling of this land for a nominal fee</p> <p>Maintenance of Main Street, sidewalks, etc, painting of benches, free paint from Pierre Laundry.</p> <p>It was suggested that the executive meet with the Mayor and Council quarterly to discuss issues relating to the business community and town.</p> <p>Other items: Frank Likely suggested we send a letter to the Springhill Library congratulating the staff and volunteers and readers on an excellent literacy day. There were over 42 readers and a local mascot arrived for the first appearance sponsored by the new business that makes these mascots.</p> <p>A letter to be sent to Tim Horton’s congratulating the Anderson’s on their successful renovation project.</p> <p><u>Next Meeting:</u> The next meeting will be held at the Jade Palace on March 4th, at one p.m.</p> <p>Adrien Baillargeon, President</p>	