

## Chamber of Commerce Executive Meeting: March 20, 2018

**In Attendance:** O Dobrastanski, Ken Becotte, Cindy Babyn, Ashley Rairie, Elayne Boloten, Dave Murphy, Mandy Elliot, Joseph Scott, Jim Johnson

Called to Order: 6 pm

**Economic Development Report:** Given by Joseph Scott

**Minutes:** of January 23, 2018 meetings moved approved as written: Ken Becotte; 2<sup>nd</sup> Doby Dobrastanski - carried

**Treasurer's Report: March 20** See Attached. Motion to accept – Jim Johnson; 2<sup>ne</sup> Dave Murphy – carried  
**Year End Report** See Attached. Motion to accept – Jim Johnson; 2<sup>ne</sup> Dave Murphy – carried

- **AGM**
  - Mandy to send out email reminder of dues being due.
  - Print copies of community reports, treasurers reports, minutes, last years AGM minutes
  
- **Thanks to:**
  - Mandy, Dave and Alexis for addressing the catering
  - Everyone for logo
  - Mandy – changed the “culture” of the organization – moved it away from phone and to email
  - Ashley – website and facebook page
  - Ken – community development grant
  - Glen – ferries
  - Sharlene, Mandy, Alexis – Visitors guide
  - Jim – Treasurer for 17 years
  - Doby – addressing transportation and signage
  
- **Meetings**
  - Are meetings needed every month
  - Suggestion: meet every other month, opposite dinner meetings, and not during the summer – agreed
  - Board meeting followed by public meeting didn't work (little attendance, often had to miss board agenda items) so dinner meetings can act as public meetings and board meetings will be just that
  - Live reports are important – try to limit speaking time to 3 minutes with a minute or so for questions
  
- **Election**
  - Ken Becotte, Jim Johnson (treasurer), John Akre, Alexis McLean, and Tom Read (previously) resigning their seats

- Joseph Scott, Kim Miller (manager of PR COC), Audrey Atkins, Kathryn McNaughton-Watts and Trevor Morrison (treasurer) have all expressed interest. None are members!
- **Visitors Guide – Cindy Babyn**
  - Still in the works
  - Have dropped “non-tourist” categories
  - May still put it in the phone book tho visitors do not see the phonebook
- **Trade Show – Dave Murphy**
  - FCU to consider running, but not until the fall
  - Alana Carbery has stepped up
  - Can use FCU resources (ie phones) to help organize
- **Signs – Doby Dobrastanski & Steve Croasdale**
  - Business Promotion
  - Map of Gillies Bay and Van Anda ringed by signs
  - One at VACW and one at That Place (is this really a good place – maybe across the street?)
- **COC Awards**
  - Categories: best home based business, friendliest service, best new business (2 years), best eatery, best ferry loader, volunteer of the year, employer of the year, presidents award.
  - Insert in Express Lines
- **Barb Nairn** given letter of reference for SP Concession – got the contract
- **Thank you cards** – local artists cards to be given to guests/speakers. Buy as needed: Motion: Dave Murphy; 2<sup>nd</sup>: Doby Dobrastanski - carried
- Next Meeting: Monday April 23
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**Adjourned:** 8 pm