

HARROW & COLCHESTER SOUTH CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

MINUTES OF MEETING

May 15th, 2013 – 8am – Harrow Community Arena, Harrow

Attendees: Corrie Bramhall, Derek Didone, Jill Marontate, Murdo McLean, Tim Smeltzer, Peter Timmins, Connie Vollans, Priscilla Whiston

Guests: Brian Gray

Regrets: Bill Baker, Jennifer Ring, Jason Whiston

Reports / Business:

- Call to order;
- Minutes from April 17th, 2013, will be approved next meeting, as they were incomplete;
- Approve Agenda;
- Approve to pay bills;
- Approval of Treasurer's Report;
- Business owners with multiple business be charged \$25 for additional membership;
- The use of Paypal for website is costly, Tim Smeltzer recommends not to use for now;
- Corrie Bramhall has been doing a lot of work with website people to correct many errors on website pertaining to the businesses (i.e. address, info);
- Marketing of website, looking at 12x12 window cling signage in businesses; check with Greg Harrison to see if he does window cling signage; look into prices for flyers/window cling signage; advertise in Harrow News, editorial?, use facebook;
- Fire Regulations – Peter Timmins was approached by United Church regarding the Pie Tent for Harrow Fair, as they were told that all tents have to be 10 feet apart and be made of fire retardant materials and have back-up light; Peter Timmins recommend to get regulations from House of Commons (go to MPP); Derek Didone to follow-up with Fire Department;
- Jennifer Ring recommends that we should have protocol to welcome new businesses to town; welcome committee will be Jill Marontate and Jennifer Ring as chair;
- Derek Didone comments that YMCA and School Board have set-up a program at the school for before and after school care; concerned that daycare will lose business; Derek to bring report to next meeting;
- (Brian Gray) - Regarding Health Centre – need a strategic plan; will request reps from all service clubs to attend meeting; looking at health care needs and direction for next 5 years;
- Next Meeting – June 19th, 2013
- Adjourn.

Motions:

Tim Smeltzer – Approve Agenda, as amended

Second: Peter Timmins

Carried

Tim Smeltzer – Approve to pay bills, and approve Treasurer's Report

Second: Jill Marontate

Carried

Derek Didone – Business owners with more than one business be charged \$25 as member

Second: Connie Vollans

Carried

Tim Smeltzer – Do not use paypal on website for now

Second: Peter Timmins

Carried

Murdo McLean – Adjourn the meeting

Carried