

## **Harrow & Colchester South Chamber of Commerce**

### **Meeting Minutes**

April 16<sup>th</sup>, 2014 – Harrow Community Arena, Harrow

**Attendees:** Tim Smeltzer, Murdo McLean, Bill Baker, Jill Marontate, Craig Miller, Corrie Bramhall, Connie Vollans, Mike Janisse, Jennifer Ring

**Regrets:** Derek Didone

**Guests:** Sherry Bondy, Ann Marie Grant, Chris Carter

#### **Reports / Business:**

- Call to order – Murdo McLean @ 8:00 A.M.
- Approve Agenda – Tim Smeltzer, 2<sup>nd</sup> – Craig Miller
- Approve Minutes of February 19<sup>th</sup>, & March 19<sup>th</sup> meeting: – Tim Smelter, 2<sup>nd</sup> – Corrie Bramhall
- Financial Report: Tim Smeltzer reported that 2 – 4 % of balance is from insurance revenue with 43 members signed and paid – Tim Smeltzer motioned to approve the report, 2<sup>nd</sup> – Bill Baker
- Report regarding Membership: Murdo McLean reported that a letter was received from a potential new member, he replied with information on becoming a member of the Chamber of Commerce and the benefits of membership.
- New Year's Eve Family Night Update: Corrie Bramhall reported that a meeting was held Monday April 14<sup>th</sup>, submitting a comparison budget from previous year and proposed budget for 2014. Will be working with local organizations asking for support and also approaching Council for funding support. Jill Marontate drafted and distributed a letter to local organizations. Request for response by May 31<sup>st</sup>, 2014
- Advertizing Update: a review of the approved report from Post Media – Jennifer Ring motioned that the Chamber contribute 20 % of the cost - \$3955.00 + taxes = 4 papers, 2 x's year @ a cost of \$200.00 per member. 2<sup>Nd</sup> – Mike Janisse – carried
- Guests Sherry Bondy and Ann Marie Grant: discussion on Harrow Trap, Neuter Release Initiative = co-pay with Humane Society, voucher program, public education, focus on our community. The new Vet in town is willing to take vouchers.
- The need to keep business in Harrow, bring cages to arena for public use, establish a fund – create a healthy population. Possibly set up donation boxes at various businesses to help pay for vaccines.
- Chris Carter: discussion on cleaning the alley – making it a tourist spot - “Art in the Alley”
- we need to fix the pot holes, clean up the trash.
- Bill Baker, Sherry Bondy and Chris Carter will present idea and discuss with Jeff Watson and report back to Chamber at the May 21<sup>st</sup>, 2014 meeting.
- Adjourn – 9:15 A.M.