GOLD RIVER CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

General Meeting

Thursday, June 17, 2021

7pm via Zoom

Call to Order/Attendance/Welcome to General Members. 7:11pm

Linda Vandenberg, Suzanne Trevis, Chris White, Veanna Johnston, Anita Lawrence, Marion Ledahl, Kenny Leslie, Cathy Nesbitt. With Regrets – Georgie McKenzie.

Approval of minutes MOTION: That the minutes of May 20, 2021 be approved. Chris/Anita/carried

Items to add to the agenda Removal of the Friendly Cove billboard on the side of Super Valu.

Officer and Director Reports

President – **Veanna Johnston** - During a recent conversation with Mayor Brad Unger concerning our request for the use of a room and a grant-in-aid at the Jack Christiansen Center it has become apparent that we must reapply.

Treasurer/Membership – Linda Vandenburg – Chequing Acct \$11885.21 Savings Acct \$771.17

Membership – A letter was sent out to members that have dues in arrears (6) informing them to please pay or they will be removed from the roster. Three businesses responded and paid. The three that have not responded will be removed from the roster and one sign will be taken down (Linda) and returned to the owner. Anita will remove these 3 from the website.

Social Media Director/Bursary – **Anita** – Communication continues with Paul Smith concerning the website. Resilience to Thrive Program. BC Recovery programs. Resilience to Thrive – We have been paid for the first session, may have missed out on the second session, and are in line for the third session if we have a couple of people sign up.

Recording Secretary/EDC Liaison – **Cathy** – Streetlight banners will be ordered this month.

Thanks to volunteers and EDC members, the landscaping is nearing completion. The mulch will arrive next week ready for more work parties. Cathy will write a letter informing businesses that they are welcome to use the Branding on merchandise by meeting some criteria posted by the Village. The letter will be sent to all members.

Directors/Business of the Month - Suzanne/Linda - work in progress

Director/Welcome New Business – **Georgie** – a new business has opened in town. White Ridge Press. Welcome cards should be accompanied by membership applications. Cathy will update Georgie.

Business Items

- Info Center Anita helped us with some discussion and explanations to get us a better understanding of what we are proposing. How much money to ask the Village for? What portion must come from the Chamber – enough to cover the wages of our employee. MOTION: To ask the Village to provide \$15,000 towards the proposed Fee for Service Contract being presented to the Village of Gold River for the running of the Info Center for 2022. Anita/Suzanne/carried. Anita will finalize the agreement and submit it to the Village.
- Payment for Chamber storage Lana Owens has been storing the Chambers filing cabinet and other items for about 2 years. MOTION: To pay Lana \$500 for storing our belongings. Chris/Veanna/carried. Linda will cut a check and get a card.
- 3) By-Laws work in progress Cathy and Linda
- 4) Correspondence Several pieces have been received, read, discussed, and forwarded to appropriate member(s) via email and/or posted on the website.
- 5) Removal of the Friendly Cave billboard on the side of the mall. MOTION: That we remove and offer to pay tipping fees at the dump for the billboard. Veanna/Linda/carried. Any wood in good shape will be saved for repurposing. Anita will contact the mall owner, JT. And send out an email to gather a work party if approved. While we are on sign removal Chris will take the Vault sign down.
- 6) Comments from the Gallery

Next Meeting – July 15, 2021, 7pm – location/venue to be announced. An August meeting will be called if needed for Gold River Days planning, otherwise we will take a month off.

Adjourn 8:05pm

Submitted by, Cathy Nesbitt

Recording Secretary

Hey, we forgot to announce the winner of the April Holmes Bursary.

Congratulations to Daniel Kornylo!