

# Claresholm & District Chamber of Commerce

## MINUTES

Wednesday, April 13, 2016  
Journey's Centre – Claresholm  
5125 – 5<sup>th</sup> Street East

### Present:

Justin Sweeney, Tony Walker, Linda Brooks, Lorraine Norgard, Donna Courage, Marilyn Curry, Rick Milliken, Roxanne Thompon, Brandy Morrison, Rod Dyrholm, Dale Harrison, Tom Barnes, Rob Vogt, Amanda Zimmer, Barb Uhl, Ali Shivji, Kelsie Bowen-Preete.

#### 1. Call Meeting to Order

The meeting was called to order at by Justin Sweeney, President at 12:40 p.m. following a presentation by Kelsie Bowen-Preete on how to affect change in your business and community with 'Think Claresholm First.'

#### 2. Acceptance/Additions to Agenda

Donna Courage moved that the agenda be accepted as presented, seconded by Marilyn Curry. Carried.

#### 3. Minutes

The Minutes from March 16, 2016 were accepted as circulated with a condition that they include a list of attendees contained in them. Motion by Tony Walker, seconded by Donna Courage. Carried

#### 4. Electric Vehicle Charge Station – Update presented by Justin Sweeney:

Distribution & Transmission Approx. \$300-\$400 per month, whether direct off line or upgraded service at museum. Does not include up front installation or upgrades from Fortis. Electrical Wiring Quote - \$1946 + GST, Unit - \$2935 + GST plus per charge of \$4.80 on average per vehicle by today's rates. Possible Federal Government funding up to 50% of installation and unit cost. Discussion held. Donna Courage moved that we put on hold until it is a more viable project, seconded by Tony Walker, carried.

#### 5. Budget

Updated Budget was circulated and discussed. Ali Shivji moved that we approve the budget as presented, seconded by Kelsie Bowen-Preete, carried.

#### 6. Speaker Series

Next Workshop will be with "The Growth Coach" on April 27 at the Cottonwood Manor. It will be free for all to attend. Agreed that in future there be a slight charge for non-members to attend.

7. Mexican Fiesta Ad Hoc Committee  
Upcoming on Friday, June 17<sup>th</sup>. Keslie Bowen-Preete volunteered to chair. Tony Walker, Donna Courage and Linda Petryshyn all volunteered to help out. We will still need more volunteers, so please contact Kelsie or Justin if you can help out. Roxanne Thompson suggested that we invite local stores to stay open late that night in conjunction with the event to entice participation.
  
8. New Business
  - 8.1 Justin explained the benefits of the CDCC President sitting on Lethbridge College Community Advisory Council.
  
  - 8.2 Community Forum  
Dale Harrison provided brief overview of the committee's goals, which will hold first meeting April 21<sup>st</sup> for "Downtown Revitalization Committee".
  
  - 8.3 "Needs & Leads"  
It was discussed and agreed to have a "Needs & Leads" time slot at each meeting.
  
9. Next Meeting
  - a. Wednesday, May 18, 12pm
  - b. Location TBD
  
10. Adjournment  
The meeting was adjourned 1:20 p.m.

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