

**PRESCOTT AND DISTRICT CHAMBER OF COMMERCE  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
MAY 19,2010**

President Brent Laton called the meeting to order at noon at O'Heaphy's Irish Pub. Present were: Vice-President Jen Wyman, Directors Robert Lawn, Mike Baril, Ray Young, Bill Pakeman, Jim French, Dan Cook, Beth Morris, Brenda Minish, Gerry Hasiuk, Roger Rhodes, members Larry Dishaw, Don Rivoire, Don Farnsworth, Sandra Lawn, Randy Pelehos, Shawn Kelly, Allan Norton, Marianne Sears and Suzanne Dodge. Minutes recorded by secretary Debbie Lawless.

1. **INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS:** Randy Pelehos introduced Prescott's new Tourism Coordinator Shawn Kelly and Don Farnsworth introduced Marianne Sears, Prescott's RBC's new branch manager.
2. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** The agenda was approved on motion by Bill Pakeman and seconded by Gerry Hasiuk. (6 for, 0 opposed) Carried.
3. **REVIEW FROM LAST MONTH'S MINUTES:** No report.
4. **APPROVAL OF LAST MONTH'S MINUTES:** The minutes for April 21, 2010 were approved on motion by Mike Baril and seconded by Brenda Minish. (5 for, 0 opposed) Carried.
5. **PRESIDENT'S REPORT:** Brent Laton reported he attended St. Lawrence Printing's open house and thanked Beth Morris for hosting it and wished them the best of luck at their new location.  
  
He also attended the meeting hosted by the Johnson Group, which included reps from the Chamber of Commerce Group Insurance plan from the area and gained info for membership kit ideas.
6. **VICE-PRESIDENT'S REPORT:** Jen Wyman reported the After 5 event was very successful, food bank donations went well and radio promotion was great. Approximate profit was \$200.00.
7. **TREASURER'S REPORT:** The treasurer's report for period ending April 30, 2010 was presented by treasurer Debbie Lawless. The report was accepted on motion by Bill Pakeman and seconded by Ray Young. (7 for, 0 opposed). Carried. Copy enclosed.
8. **SECRETARY'S REPORT:** No report.
9. **CORRESPONDENCE:** A list of correspondence received for May 2010 was distributed to all present.

## 10. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. **FINANCE:** Bill Pakeman reported on requests received. Prior to the discussion of each request, Brent Laton asked Directors to declare any conflict of interest related to the request and it is noted when conflict of interests were declared.

1. Township of Edwardsburgh - request for \$600.00 for the annual Great Waterfront Trail Adventure cycling event. Finance Committee recommended \$500.00

Discussion was held and it was motioned by Bill Pakeman and seconded by Ray Young to donate \$500.00 to the Great Waterfront Trail Adventure annual cycling event. (8 for, 0 opposed) Carried.

2. St. Lawrence Shakespeare Festival - request for \$5000.00 for festival.

Discussion was held and it was motioned by Bill Pakeman and seconded by Gerry Hasiuk the Chamber donate the net proceeds from our annual golf tournament in September with \$1500.00 now and the balance in the fall with the agreement Shakespeare volunteers will help out at the golf tournament. (9 for, 0 opposed) Carried.

3. Harbour Days - request for \$1500.00 for events. Finance Committee recommended \$500.00

Discussion was held and it was motioned by Bill Pakeman and seconded by Brenda Minish the Chamber donate \$500.00 to Harbour Days events. (8 for, 0 opposed). Carried.

4. North Augusta Labour Days - request for \$500.00 for events. Finance Committee recommended \$400.00

Bill Pakeman declared a conflict of interest to this request.

Discussion was held and it was motioned by Brenda Minish and seconded by Gerry Hasiuk the Chamber donate \$400.00 to the North Augusta Labour Day events. (6 for, 0 opposed) Carried.

5. Town of Prescott - request for donation to their Learn to Swim program

Discussion was held and it was motioned by Bill Pakeman and seconded by Brenda Minish this request be declined as it is outside the Chamber's mandate. (7 for, 0 opposed) Carried.

2. **PROGRAM AND PLANNING:** Jen Wyman reminded all that the Chamber's annual golf tournament will be held on Wednesday, September 15, 2010 at the Prescott Golf Club and

planning should start now. There is a meeting at 6:00 p.m. tonight at the Golf Club. Volunteers are needed. Volunteering to help out were Bill Pakeman and Dan Cook. If interested in helping with the Golf Tournament please contact Jen at [jen@thehipjoint.com](mailto:jen@thehipjoint.com).

3. **MEMBERSHIP:** Bill Pakeman reported one new member.

Service Ontario,  
Prescott, Ontario  
Drivers and Vehicle/Health Services  
(Sandra Birnie)

This new member was accepted on motion by Bill Pakeman and seconded by Robert Lawn. (7 for, 0 opposed) Carried.

## 11. LIAISON REPORTS:

1. **TOWN OF PRESCOTT:** Mayor Suzanne Dodge reviewed items happening in Prescott which included the following:

- lots of activities scheduled for the bicentennial celebration and the gala, the key event, is yet to come
- speakers series having a great response with more to come
- school students are getting involved by doing history of buildings
- Economic Development and Tourism being worked on by Council
- new Tourism Coordinator hired
- road construction starting soon on Prince Street
- plans under way for Canada Day parade

Ray Young noted Council is working on pushing Westerra lots faster and hopefully the Town's 11 lots will be ready and open for offers shortly. Also Council is still working with Ontario Realty in regards to the former OPP building.

2. **AUGUSTA TOWNSHIP:** Bill Pakeman reported paving will begin soon. The United Counties of L/G Economic Development panel series event Re Not-for-Profit was well attended.

The recreation park's canteen is up and running and tennis courts have been refurbished.

Council will meet with OPSEU in June to continue union negotiations.

Work on Official Plan ongoing and there will be a public meeting held in May.

Council is preparing for Eco-Trade delegation to China with other townships.

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Council is working with South Nation to clear out municipal drains and waiting on approval from MOE after spawning in July.

Dive site will be cleaned up.

Job fair to be held on May 29 at the Maynard Public School.

3. **EDWARDSBURGH/CARDINAL TOWNSHIP:** Mayor Larry Dishaw reported on the following:

- working on budget still
- Meadowland's 83 lot subdivision project is moving forward
- Adhoc committees suspended for water and waste and the wood centre/industrial park
- meeting held in April with MOE Re Wharf project - waiting for 30 day appeal period to end then determine if declaration order can be put in place and signed, may ask Chamber to support project, if required
- tender awarded for surface treatment project
- four inquiries received Re Greenhouse complex
- EODP application for Ontario East Wood Centre and Industrial Park sent
- met with MOE Re storm water and salt collection
- BIN project moving forward
- developing business plan for ED 19
- approved 5 year contract Re TODS signage
- meeting today Re China trip
- working on 3 phase solar energy plan
- building permit values at \$11 million and fees at \$70,000

4. **GCFDC:** No report.

5. **BIA:** No report.

12. **NEW BUSINESS:** No report.

13. **OTHER BUSINESS:** No report.

14. **NEXT MEEING:** The next Board of Directors meeting will be held on **WEDNESDAY, JUNE 16, 2010** at the **BRIDGEVIEW RESTAURANT** commencing at noon. "Everyone Welcome"

15. **ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting adjourned at 1:14 p.m. on motion by Dan Cook and seconded by Jen Wyman. (8 for, 0 opposed). Carried.