

Minutes of the Farmers Institute Board of Directors Zoom meeting held at 6 p.m. on April 20th 2020 with Roger Painter hosting the meeting.

Those present: Roger Painter - President, Jason Walker - Vice President, Robin Brett - Treasurer, Roy Davies, Blair Herbert, John English, Lynn Pohynayko, Dave Bilkoski, Bill Dumont, George Robbins, Gerry Giles - Secretary

Moved Robin Brett
Second Lynne Pohynayko
the agenda be acceptance with two additions under correspondence and two items under new business. MOTION CARRIED

Moved Bill Dumont
Second Roy Davies
the March 16, 2020 minutes be accepted as presented. MOTION CARRIED

Urgent Business:

Consideration of the cancellation of the 111th Cobble Hill Fair. General discussion took place with concerns expressed about cancelling this historic event.

Moved Bill Dumont
Second John English
the 111th Cobble Hill Fair scheduled for August 22, 2020 be cancelled due to the restrictions place on large gatherings by the provincial health officer. MOTION CARRIED

Moved Lynne Pohynayko
Second Robin Brett
a letter of thanks be written to past sponsors, volunteers and the Fair committee. MOTION CARRIED

Business from the Director's Minutes:

- GST update - Robin - on hold
- 4-H agreement recommendations - Roy/Roger/Gerry - on hold
- Website Update - Gerry - progressing
- Heat Pump - Gerry - new heat pump installed
- Constitution and Bylaw - committee members are Gerry, Bill, Dave, Robin and Morris. Information sent no replies - will meet likely in September
- Beer, Burger and a Movie night - cancelled
- Capri Insurance - Dave - following up with Capri about the cancellation of the Fair which might reduce our insurance fees. Will work with Capri to try to accommodate the new CVRD funding changes.
- Shaw service provisions - Dave - Shaw can install external boosters and provide WiFi service outside for additional costs of \$580. Not worth it for 1 day service consequently the additional outdoor service will not be pursued. Dave will ask for relief for current services from Shaw and Roy will also follow up. Dave will ask Telus for a quote on taking over the existing service.

Correspondence:

1. Correspondence to Alistair MacGregor from the Secretary regarding Federal Funding available due to Covid19 and from Alistair MacGregor about the same.
2. Correspondence exchange with CAFE - Canadian Association of Fairs and Exhibitions asking SCHFIAS to participate in a letter writing campaign to receive federal funding for Fairs and Exhibitions and communication back to CAFE about our correspondence with Alistair MacGregor.

Treasurer's Report:

The Balance Sheet and Income Statement had been provided. However, Robin's report focused on where savings can be achieved. We have \$7000 in savings and \$7000 in checking minus rental deposits of \$2000. As such, we have approximately \$12,000 in funds which should carry us for 6 months.

Moved Roy Davies
Second Lynne Pohynayko
to accept the treasurer's report as provided.

MOTION CARRIED

Rental Calendars: (April/ May) - all rentals cancelled

Maintenance Report:

Bill's report had been distributed to members. In it he noted volunteers are needed to clean the grounds and do some painting. Dog waste was mentioned with reference to the gates now being locked open.

Moved Robin Brett
Second Bill Dumont
maintenance report be accepted as distributed.

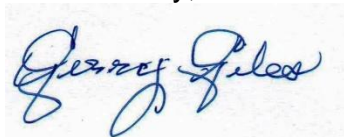
MOTION CARRIED

New Business:

- Garbage bins - garbage pickup had reverted to weekly pick up after the Fair rather than every two weeks consequently the Farmers Institute has been over billed. Roger or Gerry to contact Mike Hanson with respect to this.
- New Horizons Grant - an update on grant changes and extension was provided by Gerry who will follow up with Bill, Lisa, Roy and Robin.

Motion to adjourn at 7:16 p.m. made by Robin.

Submitted by,



Gerry Giles, Secretary