

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES



Thursday, May 20th, 2021 7:00 p.m.

Attendance:

- Board: Tina Pizar, Rod Peters, Gina Bennett, Scott Medlock, Mark Glentworth, Margaret Stubson, Lynn Marvell
- Staff: Shannon Jones (Executive Director)
- Regrets: Dusty Smith, Monica Florence

Addendums:

- Executive Director Report
- Economic Development Officer Reports
- Visitor Centre Report

1. Call to order at 7:01 pm. This meeting was conducted virtually over Zoom.

2. Approval of Agenda

- a.* Motion: THAT the May 20th, 2021, Hope Business and Development Society agenda be adopted as presented. Carried**

3. Adoption of Minutes

- a.* The March board meeting was an overview of the upcoming AGM process and preparation/overview of presentations. No minutes to be adopted.

4. *Acknowledgment*

- a.* We would like to acknowledge that we are conducting our board meeting tonight from the ancestral, traditional, shared, and unceded territory of the Chawathil people of the Tiyt Tribe. The Tiyt Tribes of the Stó:lō territory extend along the boundaries down both sides of the Fraser River, from Yale to Seabird. We thank you for welcoming us to the territory and allowing us to carry out the work that we are doing here tonight.

5. Delegations: nothing to report.

6. Business from Previous Minutes: none.

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7. Executive Director Report: Refer to Addendum for more information. Some highlights:
 - a. Community Adaptation funding project has been completed. The funding was used to produce seven promotional videos and 142 edited local business photos. The Hope Art Gallery video has been shared and the remaining videos will be released as scheduled over the next couple of weeks.
 - b. We anticipate a major interest post-COVID on outdoor recreation and will be focusing our attention on development related to that.
 - c. Economic Development Officer Report: development of the website has been a major focus. Website material is now at the design stage and will go live ~ early July.
 - d. Visitor Centre Report: Refer to Addendum for details.

8. District of Hope Report: Scott Medlock reporting:
 - a. Supported housing is under discussion
 - b. The future of Station House is still under discussion
 - c. Tax rates have now been set. The business tax rate has been set at 2.6 times the residential rate. Overall, the mill rates have been decreasing.
 - d. A number of multi-dwelling housing developments are either underway or in the planning stages.

9. Committee and Board Reports
 - a. Finance Committee (Scott, Tina, Sarah, Shannon)
 - i. **Motion: THAT the March 2021 financials be approved by the board.** *Carried*
 - b. Policy & Procedure Review Committee (Gina, Scott, Rod): Truth and Reconciliation Policy and Procedures are under development. This will provide us all with a process for consulting First Nations communities prior to development in any given area.
 - c. Board Recruitment & Orientation Committee (Mark): no news.
 - d. MRDT Representative (Margaret): MRDT totals for February: \$16605; for March: \$12551. Another quarterly meeting has been scheduled for the near future.
 - e. Communications Strategy Committee (Gina, Shannon): no news.
 - f. Operations Representative & Executive Director Liaison (Mark): no news.
 - g. Hope Mountain Centre for Outdoor Learning Representative (Lynne):
 - i. Work continues on the new Dragonsback trail. Currently the parking lot is being developed. A great deal of interest has been shown in this trail.

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- ii. HBC trail: 7.5 km of new trail being developed.
- iii. School programs continue and have been adapted to comply with COVID restrictions. Many other programs have had to be cancelled.
- h. Board Reports: nothing additional to report

10. Other Business

- a. June board meeting: the Financial committee will meet; Board will meet on an as-needed basis. The next scheduled board meeting will be in September.

11. Discussion Period

12. Adjourn Meeting: the meeting was adjourned at 7:31 pm.