



PO BOX 255 Boston Bar BC V0K1C0

Apr 15 2024 meeting

ATTEND: Tom, Lorna, Marg, Ang, Lori, Howard, Amber

REGRETS: Steph

MEMBERS: Linda Campbell, Sherri Marcovic, Diane Johnson, Susan Cosulich, Doug & Jasmine, Angela Hollaus, Sandra & Steve Clark, Ronda Tremblay, Pat Kelly, Diane Thomas, Donna & Babs, Karen Tillotson

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Tom...

-Food Bank was successful last Wednesday, a couple minor glitches, 3 manager candidates to be interviewed soon

-Canada Day & Multicultural day. Grants have been applied for, Ottawa supposed to be mailing letters put by the end of this week

-Seniors excursion Friday

APPROVE LAST MONTHS MINUTES as read....Howard motion, carried

DISCUSSION: Should minutes be posted publicly? Facebook? Website? The minutes have always been publicly accessible at Canyon Lanes in the binders. Discussed if all paid members should have minutes emailed to them directly, vs posted on the Boston Bar website (via Karen) Minutes should be posted 1 week before the next meeting. Ang will get minutes to the board of directors, for approval, before being emailed to Karen, all board must reply if all are ok. All proceedings of meetings should be public except "in camera meetings"

**\*\*MOTION: THAT MEETING MINUTES WILL BE POSTED ON THE PUBLIC BOSTON BAR WEBSITE ONE WEEK BEFORE UPCOMING MEETINGS\*\*** ...Marg 1st, carried

REPORTS:

TREASURER: Lori emailed report, verbally read..

It has been a busy month. I still have the charitable report to do. Hopefully next week. It is not late until the end of June. The Family Place building has been closed and PHAC (the funding for the Program running) has the books to go over and all their supplies etc. have been taken out. Meaghan filed the reports with PHAC for the year ending March 2024. When she gets the final okay on the reports from them, Meaghan will send a copy to us so we know that all is finished. I have spoken with Sheri Markovic with regards to keeping the grounds up at the building. The inside of the building needs a good cleaning but will wait to do anything there until after we hear from MCFD with regards to their portion of the program. The first Food Bank Day for us went well I believe. Of course, there were some hitches but all in all I think it went well. I am trying to

get the cost of a single hamper so I can judge how much money is spent each month. We started the milk and egg coupons from the Market again. A couple recipients commented that they were glad to see that back. We have had several volunteers step up and a new manager has come forward and we will work together for the next few months until we get a smooth system going. You will notice that Better at Home is in the red. That means we spent more than we received. I did not put anything from Better at Home over to the shuttle bus in March. Our big output on the expense side that we did not foresee was buying a new phone. The Boston Bar Band put on the Easter Celebration. I have submitted receipts for \$2672.05 to the Lions Club. Fraser Valley Party Rentals bill was \$3995.00 and the Boston Bar band is paying half and bingo funds the rest. Also a cheque for \$574.55 goes to Debbie O'Handly for items bought and we get \$100.00 for the hall and grounds. I have sent a cheque for \$150.00 to the Thrift Store. That was the agreement we made with them when we got the \$300.00 cheque from Scotia Bank. I included a report on the General account. I did this because that is where the \$ went from the Communities Charities group was entered. It was also where the Scotia Bank \$ were entered and dispersed.

-3 candidates applied for Food bank manager, interviews this week

-Museum, need to apply for "Grant in aid" or another grant, as the account is in the red.

-Discussed...if Bingo funds can be used? As the museum is community related. Diane informed the grant in aid was used in the past, for food bank, museum & the update, not all Regional districts have this to access, we are fortunate we do for the smaller communities.

MEMBERSHIP: Jasmine reported..concerns of proof of membership payment. Receipts must be handed out accordingly, members must hold on to them. Deadline is now to become a member, in order to vote at the upcoming AGM in June

BETTER AT HOMES: Sandra emailed report, & verbal...

I'm still looking for someone to do yard work. I have messaged Maureen Phillips, she had an add on Facebook, but she hasn't gotten back to me. If anyone knows of anyone please let me know. Veggie program starts this week. There will only be one delivery this month and then 2 hampers per month. Pat Kelly will be going to Hope and making the hampers up and delivering some and some people will pick them up from her. We only get 10 hampers and it goes to seniors over 65, income below \$25,000 for one person, \$35,000 for couple. Better at Home clients first. Yoga has been postponed until further notice, the instructor Jon Tai isn't available Thursdays, in order to use the hall rent free. Need to figure out funds for rent at Canyon Lanes for a different day

UPDATE: Karen, emailed report, & verbal..Fortunately I have received a LOT of interest this past while for large special ads (which is great) and we will have at least one new box ad in May's issue as well. I'm waiting for a couple of confirmations (special ads) - if they are a "go" the paper will be quite full. As we approach the summer months (also known as fire season) I will be inserting reminders to residents to try and firesmart their homes/properties and prepare their go-bags. Also, for our newer community members especially, I will insert a blurb to be bear-aware. All of the foregoing info is worth repeating annually.

MOTION TO ADOPT ALL REPORTS AS READ....Lori, Carried

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- Hall steps ledge tripping hazard should be painted yellow, or peel & stick reflective tape
- outside hall entrance light has been replaced
- Sherri Marcovic will deal with painting the strips
- Boston Bar Signs..Howard has sent reminder text to person redoing them. We need to discuss design thoughts & get the costs
- Canada Day..strawberry shortcakes, easy. Need to get more paper flags & stickers. They should come when the funding does. Ask RCMP, Ambulance, Fire Dept for attendance. Need volunteers for food serving, organizing, someone to play music? Face painting?
- Fridge & freezer for Food Bank now at Canyon Lanes. They a combo fridge/freezer units.

QUESTIONS: None

MOTION to adjourn meeting...Howard, carried....6:45 PM