

Dawson Citizen Improvement Association

February 9, 2022

Community Hall

Present: Lee McDonald, Wendy VanEvery, Rick Bradley,

By Phone: Marcus White, Bob Grover, Anne Giffin

Absent: John Bonwick

Meeting called to order at 7:05 pm

Approval for agenda:

Addition to agenda

Add a request from Peggy Morrison to purchase the piano from the community hall.

Motioned by Bob seconded by Wendy Carried.

Agenda Approved with Addition

Approval of Minutes for Jan 12, 2022

Rick motion to approve, Wendy seconded. Motion carried.

Treasurer Report

We currently have a balance of 91,129.67

Expenses are running about 1000-1200 dollars per month through the winter months. A large insurance payment is due in May. Wendy discussed splitting the bill into three payments to help with cash flow. Deferred to next meeting.

There is a possibility that the \$60000 loan may be deferred for another year. Wendy will look into this with the BOM.

We have an outstanding bill with Andrew for GoDaddy for the Meldrum Bay Marina and Breakwater Park Website. Motion to pay the bill put forward by Anne, Marcus seconded it. Motion carried

We are currently having discussions with a bookkeeper to take over some of the work of the Treasurer. In the summer time and at tax time it becomes a part

time job much more than should be expected of a volunteer. Wendy would continue to oversee the day to day and be responsible for the project monies.

Marina Project

The marina committee has found a company to move ahead with the water front improvements.

A motion was introduced by Rick to except the bid of Tulloch Engineering for engineering services seconded by Bob. Motion carried

Campground

Discussions were held around signage for the dock areas to identify the areas that should be limited to boaters only and area that it would be dangerous for people to use for swimming and fishing ex around the fuel area and the boat ramp.

Discussion regarding fire pits. We are looking into replacing the fire pits out of concerns for safety. The board is looking for prices and more discussion on this matter.

Outdoor lighting and fire extinguisher were discussed. Need more discussion.

Improvements to the washrooms were discussed. The washroom should be accessible to all users. There is a need for higher toilets, bars and a counter that could accommodate wheel chairs.

Other business

There was discussion around staff for the summer and the need for a hiring committee.

There was a discussion regarding the old piano in the community hall, We would like to know where it came from before deciding on an offer to purchase

Destination Manitoulin was discussed and the best way to get in touch with people who may be able to point us in the right direction for information regarding the lighthouse.

Meeting adjourned at 7:55