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Bella Coola Valley Tourism July Meeting, July 4, 2017 Bella Coola Mountain Lodge

Minutes of meeting

July 4 Draft

Call to Order: T. Hermance 7:05PM

Chair: T. Hermance

Present: Jayme Kennedy, Holly Willgress, Carsten Ginsberg, Tom Hermance, Jan Prins
Guest Peter Kovanda

Regrets: Deb Nelson, Chris Stafford, Linda Duggan Chris Nelson Jefferson Bray.

Business Conducted:

1. Motion: Accept May minutes (Jayme Kennedy and Holly Willgress) CARRIED
2. Business arising from May minutes. Peter Kovanda gave us the update from the FAC meetings.
 - a. Route to be named #28
 - b. BCF are still deciding on ferry name and route particulars
 - c. New ferry is still in service in Greece until August, then to sail to be refitted, so we will have essentially a new ferry for the route.
 - d. Ferry to run 2.5 round trips per week to Port Hardy with one milk run to out ports
 - e. Trip length will be 10 hours, no staterooms, food service and restrooms with observation deck.
 - f. Winter service as per existing schedule.
 - g. Deciding on artwork for interior and exterior.
3. Treasurers Report:
 - a. Reported on finances, recapped the fiasco with Canada Summer Jobs grant refusal as there too many applications.
 - b. Reported on the grant application to BC Rural Dividend Fund to finish the pullout, Harbor Sign and the web enhancement and promotional program. We should hear back from BCRD in about 3 months.
 - c. Provided Balance, Profit and Loss and Detailed financial sheets to directors.
 - d. Motion by Carsten Ginsberg, Second by Jayme Kennedy. CARRIED
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5. VIB: Sheridan is providing a yeoman like service to us, manning the desk and phones in a busy VIB. Sheridan sends stats to us every week. If you would like to be on the list, contact Jan Prins and he will provide you with a current count.
6. 101 Things to do on Highway 20 has been cancelled by the WCTA. Tom is currently in contact with Amy Thacker to replace this guide with something that is more suited to the new circle route and which will include more stops.
7. Outdoor Show. It was decided to cancel our participation for 2018 as the return is not there and the cost (\$4500) is not born. Motion Holly Willgress, second Carsten Ginsberg CARRIED
8. Signage: The question of the Fire Prevention Sign placement is a moot point as it does not impact the pullout if the replacement is placed in the same spot.
9. VIB Staffing in September. We will need some volunteers to man the VIB in September as Sheridan leaves on the 30th of August. Any amount of time would be appreciated as it is prime bear season and we need a body there between 11:00AM and 7:00PM.
10. Tom also brought up the fact that non- members are dropping by to pick up Guides for distribution. The thought is that we provide Guides to them at a cost This would tend to make think about a membership.
11. Meeting Adjourned at 8:20PM Motion: Jayme, 2nd Holly Willgress

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