

GREATER VICTORIA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE Board Meeting at Chamber Offices 27 May 2014

- Present:Frank Bourree (Chair), John Wilson, Rose Arsenault, Kathleen Burton, Natasha Reger,
Capt. (N) Luc Cassivi, Darlene Hollstein, Richard Van Leeuwen, Sang-Kiet Ly, Ryan Burles,
Mark Smith, Gary Kinar, Dee Govang, Mark Mawhinney, Jared Webb, Bruce Carter
(CEO), Chery Wirch-Ryckman (Staff), Janet Crocker (Staff)
- **Regrets:** Dan Dagg, Al Hasham, Nigel Brown, Tom Roemer
- 1) Motion to approve April agenda.

Moved by	Mark Mawhinney
Seconded by	Luc Cassivi
Carried	

2) Motion to approve April board minutes.

Moved by	Darlene Hollstein
Seconded by	Mark Smith
Carried	

3) Motion to approve March Financial Statements

Sang presented financials and the need to increase line of credit to \$300,000 which is required to run the WD program due to cash-flow agreement.

Moved byDee GovangSeconded byKathleen BurtonCarried

4) Chair's Remarks

a. Meeting with Minister of Community, Sport and Cultural Development

Good discussion with the Minister including amalgamation, business vote, marine conservation area, sewage treatment and liability regarding Esquimalt.

b. BC Chamber AGM

Two policy wins at the AGM, The Chamber was well represented during policy development sessions.

5) Board Election Schedule Approval (Attached)

Electronic voting update, lower cost than mail out. Discussions included board size.

Motion to accept election process as outlined.

Moved byMark MawhinneySeconded byRose ArsenaultCarried

- 6) Policies to be approved
 - a) Increased Apprenticeship Completions (Attached) in cooperation with Canadian Chamber
 Moved by Darlene Hollstein
 Seconded by Luc Cassivi
 Carried
 - b) Motion to appoint Gary Kinar chair of Policy and Government Affairs Committee
 Moved by Luc Cassivi
 Seconded by Mark Mawhinney
 Carried

7) CEO Report

a. Sewage Treatment

Recent CEO opinion editorial published in Times Colonist. \$47 million reasons re: liability for Esquimalt and local precedents.

b. GVDA Governance

City of Victoria want to discuss GVDA governance structure and increase participation of other municipalities

c. Our Vibrant Community

Manning Centre training- working on dates

Update form John Wilson regarding strong community support for initiative.

d. Strategic Plan Process

Pre-work will be completed before the retreat.

Motion to approve the Strategic Planning Process as outlined.

Moved byRyan BurlesSeconded byDee GovangCarried

e. Amalgamation Poll- on hold for other partners

f. The Chamber brand

Outlined concerns regarding chamber brand and researching in to other chamber amalgamations.

8) GVDA WD project presentation at 8:30 am (Attached)

Presentation by Dallas Gislason, Economic Development Officer on trade and investment program which will connect local businesses to the world. Program \$1.5 million over 3 years.

9) Finance and Audit Committee

a. Cash Management Update

b. Borrowing Resolution

Motion: To approve the increase of the operating line of credit from \$75,000 to \$300,000 to accommodate the FDI project.

Moved bySang-Kiet LySeconded byLuc CassiviCarried

10) In Camera Session

11) NEW BUSINESS

Information Items

12) Committee Reports

- a. Executive Committee
- b. GVDA
- c. Policy
- d. Prodigy
- e. Finance and Audit
- f. Governance
- g. Our Vibrant Community
- h. Community Involvement (in abeyance)

13) Standing Reports

- a. Events Registration
- b. Executive Dashboard
- c. Membership Report
- d. Board Attendance Report
- e. Business Plan Tracking Sheet

14) Additional information items

Motion to Adjourn

Moved by Luc Cassivi Seconded by Kathleen Burton Carried

Next Meeting: Tuesday June 24th Mid-year retreat 7:30am – 12 noon, Chateau Victoria

Secretary

Chair

Date