

Rotary Club of Carleton Place and Mississippi Mills

Minutes of the Meeting, 16 April 2024

Thirsty Moose

Attendance: Mike Jeays, Marion Reilly, Kathy Cousineau, Dave Cousineau, Sherry White, Pat Clark, Ken Clark, Shelley Smith, Tim Campbell, Carman Carroll and Visiting Rotarian Olga Ialovenko for part of the meeting.

Regrets: Amanda Burke, Judit Marican, Deen Dudding, Randy Dudding, Sue Millette, Rick Millette, David Krayden.

- 1. Welcome:** Chair Mike Jeays opened the meeting at 6:00 pm and welcomed Club members.
- 2. Land Acknowledgement:** The Chair read the land acknowledgement:
We acknowledge that the land on which we live and are meeting tonight is the traditional unceded territory of the Algonquin and Anishinaabe People who have lived on this land since time immemorial.
- 3. Happy Dollars:** As usual, Rotarians were thankful for various things since our last meeting.
- 4. Chase the Ace:** Tim's number was drawn, but he did not pick the winning ace. The jackpot has grown to \$235.
- 5. Adoption of Consent Agenda:** The following items were offered for consent:
 - Agenda, 16 April
 - Minutes of 2 April meeting:
 - President's Report (Marion): Marion expressed concern about the Club spending all of our available monies so early this year. She feels it would be better to spread our disbursements over the entire Rotary year as requests come to us during the entire year. Members agreed with this point and suggested this be part of our planning meeting slated for 14 May.
 - Secretary's Report: Carman noted that we had someone ask about volunteer opportunities with Rotary. He suggested the person could come to a meeting. She might also allow us to add her name to our friends of Rotary list. Having an up-to-date list of active volunteers might help us with filling the shortfalls in our Nevada ticket sales roster. This another topic for discussion at our planning meeting.
 - Chamber of Commerce: Nil
 - Treasurer's Report: Nil

Amanda moved and Marion seconded a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion carried.

6. **Nevada Ticket Sales:** Marion noted that our biggest issue now is filling the four volunteer spots at Giant Tiger each week. We do need a more workable solution.
7. **Compost Sale, 4-5 May:** Carman updated the club on plans for our compost sale on 4 and 5 May. All is going well. Pat spoke about food and goodies for the CP Girls Hockey Association and adult volunteers. Shelley addressed PR issues while Mike spoke to our telephone/email blitz to customers from previous years. There are a number of issues to work out but all is under control.
8. **Adventure in Citizenship:** Mike reported that our two students are set to go to the Adventure in Citizenship week in Ottawa in mid-May.
9. **Business Arising from Previous Meetings:**
 - a. **REMINDER**-Highway Cleanup: Date is set for 27 April at 9:00 am. We will meet in the usual place, the parking lot of the CP Pentecostal Church on Highway 29. Dave will look after getting the necessary items from Ministry of Transportation.
10. **New Business:**
 - a. **Olga Ialovenko's request for assistance:** Olga joined the meeting and asked the club for assistance to manage donations for a group of young people attending a Youth and Financial Literacy conference in Vienna next week. The request came unexpectedly and clearly there is insufficient time for our Club to respond to this request. She indicated that our Rotary District 7040 had originally agreed to help but, according to Olga, it withdrew its support. While Club members sympathized with her request, it is clearly well beyond our capacity even with much longer lead time.
 - b. **CP Bridge Street Summerfest, 27 July 2024 10:00 am - 3:00 pm:** This is an opportunity for businesses and community groups to set up a table and "sell their wares". Our Club participated last summer and we viewed the day a success. We will need volunteers and someone to coordinate it. Carman will apply to the CP BIA on behalf of the club to reserve a spot. (We may want to revive our 50/50 ticket sales as Summerfest would be a good occasion to sell).
 - c. **District Governor's Clubs Visit, 8 May:** There is a tentative proposal for a joint Rotary meeting with the Smiths Falls Club in Smiths Falls on 8 May. Marion will get back to us when she has heard that a firm date has been set.

11. Next Meeting: The next meeting will be held on **Tuesday, 30 April** at 6:00 pm.

12. Motion to Adjourn: The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 pm on a motion by Tim.

Carman Carroll, A/Secretary