Rotary Club of Carleton Place and Mississippi Mills

Minutes of the Meeting: 31 May 2022

Thirsty Moose Pub

In Attendance: Mike Jeays, Marion Reilly, Carman Carroll, Shelley Smith, Dave Cousineau, Kathy Cousineau, Deb Shaw.

Absent: Deen Dudding, Randy Dudding, Pat Clark, Ken Clark, Brenda MacDonald-Rowe

1. Welcome. Interim President Mike opened the meeting at 7:00 pm.
2. Mike also 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: Rotarians shared their experiences in the aftermath of the major storm on 28 May, damage and power outages that ensued. Everyone lost power for four days or so, several folks had generators to assist them and luckily none of us had major damage.
4. 50/50 Draw: Deb’s ticket was drawn but she did not pick the money card which was worth circa $293.00.

4. Adoption of the Agenda: All agreed, with several additions.

5. Minutes of 17 May Meeting/Business Arising: Approved as presented.

-Compost Sales: There was considerable discussion about the compost sale. Prior to the meeting Treasurer Mike circulated the latest financial report for the compost sales. After expenses, including payment to the girls rungette team, our profit sits at $2,51.46, which is a tidy sum! Dave kindly volunteered to contact the local horticultural societies and the CP mayor to see if we can dispose of the remaining compost bags (around 200 we estimate). Shelley agreed to contact Waterside Seniors Residence to see if it might be interested.

-Adventures in Citizenship: Nothing new to report.

-High School Bursaries: All three cheques have now been deposited.

-Giant Tiger Nevada Sales: Marion reported that we have made a profit of $4,492 since restarting Nevada sales a couple of months earlier in the spring. We are still experiencing problems filling shifts even with dropping the last shift on Friday. We discussed several alternatives including dropping he Friday shift altogether until September. MOTION: It was moved, seconded and APPROVED that we immediately drop all Friday shifts until we revisit the schedule in September. (Note: This decision was temporarily suspended as Brenda informed us that Giant Tiger expected us to do two days as a draw for customers. More decision will follow).

- 50/50 Ticket Sales: Mike has secured our license and will proceed to get the tickets printed. He suggested we drop the number of tickets to 1,000 this year based on sales from the last few years.

-Chamber of Commerce: Nothing to report.

-Women’s Fair: Shelley noted that she is already beginning to get inquiries about the Women’s Fair slated for Saturday, 5 November 2022.

-Rota for Acting Presidents’ duties, 2022-2023: The following rota was agreed upon (those absent from the meeting are more than welcome to volunteer should the spirit move them!!): 2022: July- August: Dave Cousineau; September-October: Marion Reilly; November-December: Carman Carroll; 2023: January-February: Shelley Smith: March-April: Mike Jeays; May-June: tbd

6. Other Business:

- President’s Update: No report.

-Treasurers Update: The club currently has assets of some $13,000.

-Secretary’s Update: No report.

- Summer meetings: There was a short discussion about our summer meetings. All agreed that we would meet every two weeks as usual.

7. Adjournment. The meeting adjourned at 7:30pm.

Next Meeting: TUESDAY, 14 June 2022 at 6pm at The Thirsty Moose upstairs.

Carman Carroll

A/Secretary