

Minutes

EDC February 4, 2015

7:30pm

Present: Peter Hopkins, Mike Kekkonen, Glen Jones, John Cole, Greg Godbeer, Debbie McMurray, Wave Weir

Absent: Peter Brewster, Dave Downing

1. Minutes of the January 7th meeting were accepted as circulated. Moved-Wave, Second- Debbie.
2. Agenda was accepted with the addition of *Fun in the Sun*, and *Parry Sound Chamber of Commerce Proposal* added to New Business.
3. No declarations of pecuniary interest.
4. **Visitors**, Henry Beier
5. **Correspondence**
MLCA directory forms for the Market and EDC; to be filled out by the secretary and returned.

6. **Reports**

Pioneer College

It was discussed to have Midlothian Farms of Burk's Falls teach a workshop on CSA farming, starting seeds, etc. Wave was given the direction to go ahead with planning it.

Market

John Cole discussed the continuation of the Market manager's contract with past manager Jane Saville. She agreed in principle and will be present at the March meeting to discuss terms. Wave to search out and prepare the job specs to be circulated and discussed for the next meeting.

Peter Hopkins reported on Redac.

There will be a meeting in McKellar Tues. Feb. 10 at 9am.

There will be the next meeting for council's Action Plan Friday Feb. 6 at 10:30.

7. **Unfinished Business**

John Cole and Wave Weir did a run through of the proposed power point presentation for council.

Discussion of additions and changes were made throughout. The overall response was affirmative. Discussion finished at 9pm.

Market Sign, discussion deferred.

8. **New Business**

Seedy Saturday. Wave brought it up as she had been asked if it was being offered. It had been in McKellar one year and then taken to Parry Sound last year. It was run by Jane Saville. There is no indication at this point that it will run here again.

Budget. Will be discussed in detail at the March meeting. Debbie McMurray passed out copies of the 2014 EDC Budget vs. Actual expenditures. EDC income for 2014 was \$2,970. Our expenses were \$ 4,390.61, utilizing \$1,420.61 of our budget. Council had passed a motion that \$1,500 could be carried over to 2015, for the completion of Market signage.

EDC meeting times are going to change. They will be the first Thursday of the month at 6:30pm.

Active Living Fair is tentatively running August 1, 10-2pm. This is the third annual and Theresa Gregory has agreed to chair the committee.

The grant for an intern was approved. Hiring process and committee to be confirmed by council.

1600 Trout have been put into Armstrong Lake and discussion was had as to what event can be planned, as time is now short for the free fishing weekend of Family Day. John had checked with Morley Haskim as this is a recreation consideration. With the short notice and the pending dance the Rec. committee cannot consider anything for this weekend. Peter Hopkins to discuss possibilities with "A Bunch of Guys", as they put on fishing fests when they were the MCA. It was suggested a Fest during March Break would give time for the committees to plan and advertise.

Mike suggested the possibility of putting on a winter Flea Market in the Center. The "Indoor Yard Sale" would run while the Market was not on. He suggested a trial run from February to April. He is to formulate the program, advertising etc. and present to the March meeting. He suggested that the market manager may be considered to take this on as well.

Peter Hopkins passed around a sheet of local events to be sent to the paper for inclusion in the publication "Fun in the Sun". Usually the intern oversees this. Anyone with ideas to add must contact Peter ASAP.

Mike passed along the Parry Sound Chamber of Commerce presentation to council. They plan on running a tourist information kiosk for visitors to the area to be able to pick up info. and speak to a rep. to find accommodations, events etc.

9. **Motion and Notice of Motion**

1. That council approve the continuation of Jane Saville as market manager of the McKellar Farm Market. Moved, Debbie McMurray. Second, Glen Jones. Carried.

2. That Council approve the third annual Active Living Fair, tentatively to be held August 1, 2015. Moved, Debbie McMurray. Second Glen Jones. carried

10. **Next Meetings**

EDC to present at council Tues. February 17 at 6:30 pm

EDC Meeting **PLEASE NOTE CHANGE! Thursday March 5, 6:30 pm**

11. **Adjournment**

9:50pm