

**Meeting Minutes**

**6pm, August 16th 2022**

**Sandman Boardroom & via Zoom**

1. **Welcome & Acknowledgement:**

We acknowledge that we are gathered on the Traditional Territory of the Lhtako Dené.

*Agenda and voting were sent out via email as we had no quorum at our in-person meeting.*

1. **Adoption of Agenda:**

1s Michelle

1. **Meeting Minutes Approval:**

1st Wayne

1. **Correspondence:**
2. B.C Transit called and asked for our survey from spring that collected info from businesses and shared some information:
* *They are looking at and will likely move forward with schedule changes this fall (buses starting earlier and ending later)*
* *They are looking at adding another bus stop near wings*
* *Sunday bus runs are not shown to be super beneficial throughout the province but this is something they will consider, however in order to add a Sunday run the city would need to invest more funding towards it.*
* *Bus Stop Improvement Program: Our BIA can either work with city or directly with B.C transit to receive funding for bus stop improvements, they can cover anywhere from 60%-80%. We specifically spoke about the bus stop on Juniper in front of KFC.*
1. **Treasurer/Finances Report:**

We have not yet received our levy from the city, (This update will likely have more information come Meeting time)

1. **City & MOT Updates:**
* No updates at this time
1. **Old Business:**
* Security Camera Follow up
* Banners: should arrive by beginning of September
1. **New Business:**
* Michelle motions to adopt the benefaction policy: A benefaction given by our association of $500.00 per business, up to 5 business per year. First time applicants receive priority. Benefaction can be used on anything beautification or safety related on the business property. Tracey seconds. Motion carried.
* September Special Meeting to vote on new strategic plan and budget, notice to be given to all members right.
* Extending our membership into CRD Businesses: Membership could have two options one price for voting members and a cheaper price for non-voting members.
* Cancel SQ phone line: Lisa has only received 2 phone calls in the past 6 months, all communication seems to come through email/facebook/Instagram. City says we do not need a phone line. Lisa is comfortable using her cell phone when necessary as well with no addition compensation for phone calls.

**Next Meeting: Tuesday, September 20th, 2022 @6pm**

**Roundtable Discussion:**

* Tour of lights: Partnering with downtown and west Quesnel. Lisa will put together a meeting date for anyone who would like to be involved in planning
* Quesnel Art Trail: Quesnel businesses can apply to feature local artists work during culture days! Contact Sam Waters (519) 617-0359/quesnelartwalk@gmail.com
* Business Excellence Awards: Nominate a business or non-profit from August 1st-Oct 1st