

## NS79, ORCHARD VALLEY BRANCH

# SPRING AGM, May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2019 COLDBROOK LIONS CLUB HALL, COLDBROOK, N.S.

12:05pm: meeting called to order Call the meeting to order.

President; Eric Ayres welcomed everyone to the Spring AGM. Asked if there were any new members in attendance – 2 new members, Eric welcomed them.

## Bud Rafuse said grace.

Lions Club members served the Pork Dinner and pies where available for members to serve themselves. (8 take outs were also sold; free will offering)

12:45: Eric invited all the Lions club servers to come out and be thanked for the dinner; The membership gave thanks to Lions Club members for the nice lunch.

Prior to Eric introducing our guest speaker Martha Macpherson – manager from Kentville Pharmasave.

Martha gave a attendees' an outstanding presentation on the does and don'ts on medications, prescription and over the counter. Members seemed very interested in her presentation and had a good participation from them.

1:35: Eric called the Business side of meeting back to order:

Approval of Minutes from the last GM; (Copies of the Minutes passed out earlier)

Alicia made a motion to accept the minutes of the 1<sup>st</sup> Nov, 2018 fall GM. Seconded by Bud.

Carried

President's report: Eric Ayres gave a verbal presentation of his Presidents Report and handed out copies.

#### Financial report:

Carrol Wooster presented the *reviewed financial statements for the previous year 2018*; the review of revenue & expenses as of 31 December 2018 showing a net *earning \$817.33*.

Approval of Financial Statements was moved by Carrol and seconded by Ernest Godon

Carried

Carrol made the motion to have Carolyn Ranson (Western Shore Branch) to be our financial reviewer again for next year. Seconded by Lochlan Rafuse.

Carried

## Membership report:

Ernest submitted his report. According to CRM we have 806 active members.

Ernest read off the names of our known deceased members (21) since our Fall Luncheon, followed by a minute of silence.

### **New Business:**

- **Bylaw review**: Eric presented the proposal to have article 8.1; Quorum changed from a fixed number to a more flexible wording that allows the branch to better represent its members who attend our general meetings.
  - "It is moved that Section 8.5, QUORUM of the Orchard Valley Branch By-laws be amended by replacing:
  - "At any Branch Annual, Special or General meeting, the quorum required to conduct business, is 33."

With

"At any Branch Annual, Special or General meeting, the quorum required to conduct business, is equal to double the number of directors present plus one."

Peter Kerr also spoke on the reasoning behind the change and why it needs to be motioned. Ken Chaddock moved the motion be accepted seconded by Ernest.

Carried

- Eric presented the proposal to close of the Emergency Defense of Benefits Fund reserve and dividing the monies into two more needed reserves (Training and Advocacy)
- > It is proposed that the branch close the Emergency Defence of Benefits Fund reserve, which contains \$5,000.00 and instead place those funds into two reserves as follow;

Training Reserve.... \$2,000.00
 Advocacy Reserve .... \$3,000.00

Carol moved proposal be accepted... seconded by Peter

Carried

#### Elections:

President; Eric Ayres ... by acclamation

Carried

Vice President; Edward "Ted" Cross ... by acclamation

Carried

**Board Volunteers confirmations** 

Membership Secretary ... Ernest Godon Branch Advocacy Liaison ... Alicia Aymar-Ayres Director at large ... Lochlan "Bud" Rafuse

Carried

Eric again reemphasised that we still could use some move volunteers on our board so we can grow and share the load, while also allowing progression training for the future.

2:45: Meeting Adjourned; Next meeting our fall luncheon/GM, October 24, 2019 with a turkey dinner. Further details will be posted in the Fall SAGE along with the new improved Insert.

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