

FORT VERMILION & AREA

SENIORS AND ELDERS LODGE BOARD 1788

Approved Meeting Minutes – February 29, 2024

Present: Kevin Marten, Michael Congo, William Ducharme, Vina Marten, Wendy Ward, Raymond Friesen (8:30PM)

Absent: Gary Smith, Jed Randle

Guests: Jeff Anderson, Board Advisor (via Zoom), Bobbi Paul, Otipemisi'wak Metis Government for the Metis within Alberta

1. Call to order: Meeting called to order by Kevin Marten at 7:15pm.
2. Approval of Agenda: William Ducharme MOVED acceptance of the Agenda. CARRIED
3. Adoption of Previous Minutes: January 25, 2024, minutes read by Kevin Marten.

Wendy Ward MOVED to accept the minutes as presented. CARRIED

4. Financial Report: Presented by Kevin Marten,

Opening Balance: \$39045.13

Interest Payment: \$1.34

Final AREF Payment: \$5100.00

BWS quarterly Fee: -\$504.00

Closing Balance: \$43642.47

Vina Marten MOVED to accept. Second by Wendy Ward. CARRIED

5. Open Issues/Business

a) Board Treasurer position:

Discussed Danny Friesen has stepping down as Treasurer and there is currently no one to fill the position.

Wendy Ward MOVED that the Board move forward without an official Treasurer until the next AGM (November 2024) and that Trudy Friesen serve as bookkeeper until a new Treasurer is elected. CARRIED

b) FVASELB1788 Statement of Work/Advocacy Campaign 2.0:

Kevin Marten presented the AREF Development Grant Application.

Wendy Ward MOVED that we submit the AREF development grant application as presented. CARRIED

c) AHS land Proposal: No changes. Awaiting process update from AHS.

d) Charity Status: Awaiting for Service AB to certify the 2023 Annual Return.

e) Societies Annual Return Submission: Completed.

f) Board Brochure:

-Raymond getting a digital copy of new brochure to Jeff for charity application.

-Michael sending photos of new directors to Klaus for website update.

6. New Issues/Business:

Bobbi Paul representing, Otipemisi'wak Metis Government for the Metis within Alberta, attended the meeting in support for the project. There is a mutual interest in exploring a partnership going forward. Bobbi committed to supply a letter of support for the project as a starting point.

7. Committee Updates: No updates

8. Correspondence: Nothing to report

9. Round Table

10. Next Meeting: April 4, 2024, at 7:00pm

11. Adjournment: William Ducharme MOVED to adjourn 8:55pm CARRIED