FORT VERMILION & AREA

SENIORS AND ELDERS LODGE BOARD 1788

Approved Meeting Minutes – June 26, 2025

Present: Kevin Marten-Chairman; Raymond Friesen-Vice Chairman; Jed Randle Secretary Treasurer; Directors- William Ducharme; Wendy Ward; Michael Congo; Con Mercredi

Bobbi Paul-Alook - Appointed Director – OMG

Jeff Anderson - Advisor to the Board

Natalie Gibson – Board Researcher

Absent: N/A

1. Call to Order: Meeting called to order by Kevin Marten at 7:08 pm.

2. Approval of Agenda: William Ducharme **MOVED** acceptance of the Agenda. **CARRIED**

3. Adoption of Previous Minutes: May 29, 2025 minutes read by Kevin Marten.

Bobbi Paul-Alook **MOVED** to accept the minutes with minor corrections. **CARRIED**

4. Financial Report: Kevin Marten presented financials.
Opening Balance - $34,777.20
Closing Balance - $32,632.26

Con Mercredi **MOVED** to accept. Second by Raymond **CARRIED**

5. Open Issues/Business:

A) OMG/FVASELB1788 – Update

a. Discussion on the continued organizing of the July 3, 2025 Community Supper Event.

b. Working Group did not meet in recent weeks as OMG is working through some staffing reorganizations/hiring. Bobbi will navigate a meeting with Aaron in a few weeks.

B) Business Plan Development

a. L7/Make 'Near Draft' Business Case Presentation to the Board (7:45PM)

a. MAKE Projects unable to support the presentation thus L7 Architecture only presented and discussed the Test-Fit Concept Design.

b. Kevin and Bobbi are currently confirming a meeting with MLA Williams scheduled between August 4 to 8, 2025 at the constituency office in La Crete. It would have been preferred that the Final Business Case was completed in time for the meeting with the MLA.

C) Charity Status Application

a. Received letter from CRA. Needed to clarify past Directors who served the Board and legal location of records. Lawyers coordinated our response.

b. The lawyer has indicated that the review process is roughly 6 months from this point.

D) Tallcree Fuels Letter

a. Jed spoke with representatives from Tallcree Fuels and delivered the funding request letter. Indications are that Tallcree Fuels will start the clock back in April 2025 and continue for one year. An updated letter from the Board may be required in April 2026.

E) Officer of the Board

a. Discussion on filling the Secretary vacancy critical to the Board's continued success.

6. New Issues/Business:

A) 2025 Fort Vermilion Ag Fair

a. Event set for the weekend of August 8/9.
b. Discussion on organizing the ice cream stand.

7. Committee Updates: NTR

8. Correspondence: NTR

9. Round Table: Discussion on summer hiatus.

10. Next Meeting: September 25, 2025 (Summer Hiatus)

11. Adjournment: Vina **MOVED** to adjourn at 9:17 PM **CARRIED**