Minutes of the **Tourist Committee Meeting** held on Wednesday August 8th, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. in the McGarry Tourist Centre, Virginiatown Ontario.

PRESENT:

CHAIR: Bonita Culhane

CO-CHAIR: Wendy K. Weller

MEMBERS: Nyla Davidson-Koomans

ABSENT WITH REGRETS: Doug Culhane

Paulette Paquet

AUDIENCE: 1 member from the public

1. Call to Order:

Chair Bonita Culhane called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. Appointment of Recording Secretary

Moved by Nyla Koomans Seconded by Wendy K. Weller **Appointment of Secretary**

THAT Nyla Koomans be appointed recording secretary for the July 11th, 2018 meeting.

Carried

3. Additions/Deletions/Adoption of Agenda

Moved by Wendy K. Weller Seconded by Nyla Koomans

Adoption of Agenda

THAT the agenda for the July 11th, 2018 Meeting of the Tourist Committee be adopted.

Carried

4. Declaration of Conflict of Interest

None

5. Adoption of Minutes of previous meeting

Moved by Nyla Koomans Seconded by Wendy K. Weller

Adoption of Minutes

THAT the minutes of the Meeting of the Tourist Committee held on June 6th, 2018 be adopted.

Carried

6. Correspondence:

Letter from the Royal Canadian Legion confirming the bar for the Jamboree will be run by Legion 384 beginning at 11:00 a.m. till 3:00 p.m.

7. New Business:

a) Report from Four Season Tea and Fashion Show

The event was held June 19th, 2018 and was well attended. It raised to date \$804.00 with the following exception of one pending invoice from the Muddy Moose. As well Nyla will research consignment stores in the area to take the remaining clothing inventory for a percentage of the sales. Thank you letters have been sent to the Legion, Volunteer Fire Department, McGarry and Larder Lake Lions.

b) Jamboree Planning

There will be a separate meeting to be called by Chair to focus on the Jamboree.

c) Summer Student Report

The Tourist Centre staff consists of three students, Samatha, Cody and Jerome. There was one grant received, and therefore the decision was made to remain closed each Wednesday unless volunteers come forward for those days. The students will be responsible for watering and managing the outside areas around the centre and keeping the kiosk updated and organized.

d) Plans for preparing a welcome wagon package

There are several items the Tourist Centre Summer Students will be working on including a Welcome Wagon pamphlet, scanning articles from the newspapers from the early days of McGarry Township.

e) Renovations to the base of the coin

No report

Following the Fashion Show, the search for adequate frames 11x14 with 8x10 matting is on. It was felt about 40 frames would be able to cover all the pictures currently being put on display.

There was a donation of photo's relating to McGarry Township. They will be gone through and a way to display all will be determined as soon as possible. Rotating the photos may be an option but to be discussed further at the next meeting.

Wendy and Bonita are currently reviewing the Trillium Grants to see if getting monies to replace the Tourist Centre roof is an option. There are several possible grants to apply for. Nyla will compile the information to be discussed at an upcoming meeting.

The agenda for future meeting should include Matter's Arising from Previous Business. Again, a request for copies of the minutes be printed off at the Township Office for five committee meetings. Although members may have computers but do not have printers.

8. Adjournment

Moved by Wendy K. Weller Seconded by Nyla Koomans Adjournment

THAT this meeting be adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Carried

Chair – Tourist Centre Committee

Next meeting will be held on Wednesday August 8^{th} , 2018, at the Tourist Centre in Virginiatown.