

insurance. It was noted that at this time, there is an approved motion authorizing the purchase of a 1 year policy.

Bylaws – David confirmed that he will look after coordinating the bylaw changes to comply with the Board of Trade Act. As the March meeting is a public meeting with guest speakers, and is not an appropriate meeting to be conducting business, the motion for the bylaw change will be made at the April general meeting, with a vote to be held at the AGM in May.

Invitation / Greeting Packages – no update.

AGM – Discussion about the format for the AGM. Susan and Pam will work on finding a location, and planning a format. The budget for the AGM is \$ 150.

Guest Speakers – Mark has contacted Lisa Francis of Acadia First Nations. She referred him to Charmaine Stevens. He will contact her at his first opportunity. Susan will contact a Nova Scotia Power representative who is working on the energy efficiency and conservation initiative.

March 24th General Meeting – David reported that he had arranged radio advertising with QCCR, with the Chamber paying for half the spots, with the other half donated by the radio station. He has requested it to be posted on the on-line community calendar operated by Heather Kelly. Mark asked if he would try to get it on the community calendars at the Advance and on CKBW. A reminder email will be sent to all members prior to the meeting.

5) Treasurer's Report

No report.

6) Correspondence

No correspondence of note.

7) Committee Reports

Tourism Committee – Susan reported that the recent Tourism Café at the Best Western was very successful. She passed out notices about the upcoming Growing Tourism Together workshop.

250th Committee – no report

Christmas Committee – no report

Nominating Committee – Letters and information packages have been prepared and distributed to the directors. The process of contacting the potential new directors and committee members is underway, and the initial feedback is quite positive.

New Business Initiative – Pam reported on her activities regarding contacting new businesses in the area. She has been in touch with Dawn Porozov, who has just opened a massage therapy clinic. As well, she has contacted Bridget Roy who has relocated her hair salon to a downtown location.

Cat Ferry – Susan reported on a meeting she and Barry attended with a couple of representatives from the Shelburne Chamber of Commerce. They were looking for a financial contribution from SQCC to pay for an economic impact report on the termination of the Cat Ferry service. After conferring with the directors, Barry notified them that we were declining to participate.

8) Barry's Discussion with Mark

Mark noted that the points raised by Barry during his conversation had been addressed in the meeting.

9) Meeting adjourned at 5:30