

WHITE ROCK ELKS 431

GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, November 13th, 2018

CALL TO ORDER

President, Geoffrey Chang called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m. and a business format was used.

Moved by Don Alton, **Seconded** by Graham Wilson that drinks be allowed on the table. **Carried.**

INTRODUCTION OF GUEST - Mayor of White Rock, Darryl Walker, was welcomed.

ROLL CALL

In Attendance: Geoffrey Chang, (President), Tom Corless, Tony Crowther, Jaki Gray, John Hentschel, Leah McGovern, Emily McGovern, Andrew Pothier, Ken Thibeault, Frank Walsh, Barbara Andrews (Recording Secretary)

Excused: Lois Duke

Absent: Mary Harrington

Members: 15

Guests: 3

AGENDA - The Agenda was approved as circulated.

READING OF THE MINUTES

Moved by Tom Corless, **Seconded** by Andrew Pothier that the Minutes of the General Meeting of October 9th, 2018 be adopted as circulated by email. **Carried.**

CORRESPONDENCE - None

TREASURER'S REPORT - John Hentschel presented the Financial Statements for the period ending October 31st, 2018.

Moved by Tom Corless, **Seconded** by Adel Schimmele that the Treasurer's report be accepted as circulated. **Carried**

MEMBERSHIP REPORT - Jaki advised that the 2019 membership cards have been received. She will be at the Elks lounge every day between 5:30 and 6:30 to receive payment and hand out the cards. When she is not available the bartender can take payment by Interac or cheque and leave the Interac slip with the name written on it, or cheque, in an envelope for Jaki. After receiving payment, Jaki will leave the membership card behind the bar for the member or mail it out, as requested by the member.

Membership fees are: \$72.00 for individuals, \$126.00 for couples, and if there are more than two members in a family, the cost of each additional member is \$54.00.

OFFICER REPORTS

FINANCE COMMITTEE - Ray Hunt advised that he is working on the 2019 budgets.

Under Publicity, when discussing the payment for the website, Ray said he should have reported under the Finance Committee Report that he is investigating obtaining a credit card for the Lodge to cover Liquor Store payments, fees for the cashier software, etc., which are currently paid by individual members using their own credit cards.

Moved by Ray Hunt, **Seconded** by Al Burns that a credit card be obtained for the White Rock Elks #431 Lodge with a maximum limit of \$5,000. **Carried**

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE - Ray Francoeur presented the report (attached).

BAR COMMITTEE - Tom urged members to please come forward and volunteer to be bartenders and for someone to take on the role of Bar Manager. Anyone interested should contact Tom.

RENTALS COMMITTEE - Tom reported that rentals continue to do well. Groups that have grown too large for the multi purpose room are now meeting downstairs. When there are no events in the Lounge on a Saturday or Sunday, private events are being booked.

CHARITY COMMITTEE - Leah presented the Charity Committee Report (attached) and the Proposed Charity Budget for 2019. She advised that the Coordinator of the White Rock South Surrey Stroke Recovery Branch was particularly appreciative of the recent donation as their group has increased from 8 to 28 people.

Moved by Tom Corless, **Seconded** by Tony Crowther that donations be made of \$2,500 to Peace Arch Hospice Society, \$2,000 to Semiahmoo House, \$1,500 to SOS Children's Village B.C., \$1,000 to Senior Services Society and \$500.00 to Seniors Come Share Society. **Carried**

Leah has contacted the three high schools advising them of the scholarships available for 2019 graduates and Emily will be setting up an email address on the web site to accept applications.

ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE - Andrew Pothier presented the Entertainment Committee Report (attached).

PUBLICITY COMMITTEE - Leah made a presentation on the large screen of the White Rock Elks social media accounts and the web site:

Flickr: Photos are posted to the "White Rock Elks Lodge 431" Account and members can copy photos from this page if they wish.

Instagram: Images and photos are posted as well as videos (press the circle to view) to this Business Account "Whiterockelks431". Some of the Followers are Elks Clubs, many in the U.S.A.

Facebook: Posts of events are put on this Business Account "White Rock Elks 431". "Like" the page to keep up to date. For a fee, postings can be advertised in the area.

Web Site: www.whiterockelks.ca. The annual fee for City Max, the Web hosting company, is due and consideration is being given to changing the hosting company as a cheaper and better web site could be produced. Emily will feature a Member of the Month who has been randomly selected.

HISTORIAN - No report.

SICKNESS AND DISTRESS - No Report

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. B.C's New Societies Act

Geoffrey advised he has emailed the lawyer twice and received no response, and further follow up is required.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Nominating Committee for Election of 2019 Officers

Ray Hunt urged members to volunteer for all positions on the Executive, including, President, 1st, 2nd and 3rd Vice Presidents, Secretary, Sergeant at Arms, etc. **Please contact Ray at jrjm@telus.net.**

Tom urged members to volunteer and warned that if an Executive is not formed the White Rock Elks could find itself in Trusteeship, and then be governed by the Elks of Canada.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

1. Mayor of White Rock, Darryl Walker, thanked the Elks for their honorary membership. He introduced Councillor Scott Kristjanson. Darryl emphasized the importance of community and was appreciative of the community work done by the Elks in the past and what will be done in the future. He said he would endeavour for the City to work with the Elks. He also expressed his appreciation of being invited to the Elks on Remembrance Day, which he thoroughly enjoyed.
2. Tom thanked Adel for her calligraphy skills in writing the Mayor's card.
3. Tom thanked all those who assisted on Remembrance Day led by Senga. Al Price and Senga were thanked for their soup; Ken Fraser for his moose chili; and Marlene and Tony for their music. Senga thanked Save On Foods for the rolls and explained to the Mayor that when the Elks put on events, Save On Foods often supply the food and profits are shared between charities of the two organizations, which in the case of Save On Foods, is the Children's Hospital.
4. Tom also emphasized the importance of organizing events so members can work together on community events for fun and camaraderie.
5. Geoffrey Chang advised that this will be the last meeting he will Chair as he will be travelling South. He thanked the membership for supporting the Lodge and especially thanked all the volunteers for their hard work that enables the Lodge to function. He appreciated all the help and support he has received during his term of office.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting closed at 7:52 p.m.

MEETINGS

Executive Meeting - TBA

General Meeting - Tuesday, December 11th, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.