

SHERWOOD PARK GYRO CLUB**MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING, SEPTEMBER 3, 2014**

LOCATION: German Canadian Cultural Centre

ATTENDEES: 36 members (14 absent)

CHAIRMAN OF THE MEETING: Ray Davis, President

1. CALL TO ORDER: By the Chairman at 7:40 PM.

2. HEALTH AND WELFARE REPORT: Don Greig reported the recent passing of Bill Carter's mother.

3. PRESENTATIONS: Past President Lawrence Zalasky thanked the membership for their support during his term as President of the Club. Lawrence then made the following presentations:

-Certificate of Appreciation to Bill Carter (Retiring from the Board of Directors) for 3 years of service on the Board.

-Certificate of Appreciation to Don Greig (Retiring from the Board of Directors) for 3 years of service as Vice-president, President and Past-president on the Board.

4. SUMMER PIC NIC: Ray thanked Bernie Kropp for hosting the affair and Art Merrick for all of his work in organizing the event. Art is currently looking for a place to store the Club's coolers, etc., and Bernie offered to provide some space. Art is also looking for someone to act as Santa Claus for the Children's Christmas party. It was suggested that Art contact Tom Pandos.

5. MINUTES OF LAST AGM: Motion moved, seconded and passed that the minutes of the September 4, 2013 AGM be approved as distributed, with one correction to substitute Gord Stewart's name for Greg Smith in the discussion regarding the Meeting Schedule/Programs.

6. MEETING SCHEDULE/PROGRAMS: Peter Sachatsky and Rick Craddock developed the events schedule and distributed it to the members with the date of August 24 being the last revision. On-To Chairmen and Assistants have all been confirmed. Future revisions, if any, will be published in the Club bulletin "Park Points". \$50 is included in the budget for each meeting program. On-To Chairmen are to advise Bill Austin with respect to the number of attendees that are expected so he can coordinate with the German Club (GCCC).

Don Greig raised a question with regards to the Darts venue. The date has been confirmed with the GCCC, but the final decision is up to the On-To Chairman and his committee.

Erik Braun questioned the schedule versus every second Wednesday. Peter responded that the schedule generally follows the every other week arrangement.

Don Greig questioned if there are any plans for the International President to visit Alberta, and also what are the arrangements for the Founder's Night? Lawrence as the Chairman for Founder's Night confirmed that all arrangements had been made. It is to be a mixed meeting with a cost of \$50/person. Details will be issued in an email. Ray indicated that he had no knowledge of the International President's plans to visit Alberta.

Gord Stewart proposed that the Mystery Golf be considered as an added event. Gord also discussed an idea of rearranging the meeting schedule so more meetings would be held when more 'Snowbirds' are available, and have fewer meetings when fewer members are available. Gord made a motion to incorporate Mystery Golf as one of the required twenty meetings. Rikke Dootjes requested that members give feedback to Peter and Rick for their consideration before changing the schedule. Sid Slade seconded the motion. John Williams commented that he was not in favor of the motion because there are a number of our members that are not golfers and he didn't think it was fair to them to use the annual dues for sponsoring only those that would participate. The motion carried to make Mystery Golf a scheduled event but with no budget provided by the Club. There wasn't significant discussion regarding Gord's other suggestion to rearrange the meeting schedule to suit the 'Snowbirds' and Ray indicated the Board would include it in one of their meeting agendas.

7. YEAR-END FINANCIALS: Erik reviewed the Statement of Revenue and Expenses for the year ended June 30, 2014. Revenue was \$3,078 more than the budgeted \$2,900 deficit. Bernie questioned if the Club was in line to host a District Convention? Jim Malott responded that we are not. Future District Conventions are envisioned to be held in Fairmont with Clubs assisting by hosting certain events during the Conventions. Erik explained that no funds are being set aside for our Club to host a District Convention; we only budget \$500 per year for sending a Sherwood Park representative to the Gyro International Convention every other year. Sid moved and Gary Kleebaum seconded a motion to accept the Financial Statements as presented. Motion carried.

8. BUDGET FOR 2014/2015: Erik distributed copies of the proposed budget with a proposed deficit of \$3,146 and no increase in dues. Bill Carter moved and Gord seconded a motion to approve the budget as presented. Motion carried. Erik will send invoices to all members.

9. NEW BUSINESS:

-WEBSITE: A discussion was initiated regarding the amount of effort it took to initially build the site and whether or not the Club membership wants to continue with it. A cost of approximately \$150/year for registration is required. Concerns have been voiced that members are not using the site and there are a lot of advantages to making it more a part of our communications, etc. There is a need for a Webmaster to oversee the site and help with postings, etc. Jim Copeland has agreed to help with the technical aspects. Lawrence moved and Rikke seconded that the site be maintained for the next year. Motion carried.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:50 PM.

Minutes prepared by John Williams, Secretary

Minutes distributed by email to all members of the Club