

**Chestermere Historical Foundation**  
**MINUTES of Regular Meeting, April 16, 2024, at 1:00pm**  
**Whitecappers' Room, 201 W. Chestermere Drive, Chestermere, AB**

**Present:** Jen Peddlesden, Doreen Masran, Bill Schoonderbeek, Eileen McElroy, Bill Peddlesden, Dave Nieckar, Todd McBride, Ray Blanchard, Sheryl Taylor, Margaret Farch, Audrey McDonald, Kay Clarke, Gail Clarke, Sonja LeDuc.

**Call to Order** by President J. Peddlesden at 1:03 pm.

**1. Approval of Agenda - M:** B. Peddlesden as amended. **Carried.**

**2. Approval of Minutes** of March 19, 2024, regular meeting. **M:** E. McElroy. **Carried.**

**3. Approval of Treasurer's Report** – The ability to accept e-transfers will be set up at the bank. Casino chequing: \$12,670, Chequing: \$17,426 (\$13,500 WID funds), PayPal: \$248. Cash float: \$61 **M:** B. Schoonderbeek. **S:** S. LeDuc. **Carried.**

**4. Business Arising from the Minutes**

**a. Firetruck** – Brent Paquette & Karie Schultz from Chestermere Fire Services (CFS) gave a presentation regarding the relationship between CHF, the firetruck and the fire services. Over 6,000 people saw the firetruck last year and it is highly valued by the firefighters who house and maintain it. CFS wants to shoulder the costs associated with repairing and maintaining the truck. The plan is to house the truck in a new firehall to be built in SW Chestermere near the lift station, where it would be featured behind a glass garage door and surrounded by an area to display historical information and artifacts. CFS wants to have an ongoing relationship with CHF about Chestermere history. It has been discovered that the truck is not registered and will need to pass an inspection in order to be registered. It can only be registered by the owner. Two options:

**i.** CHF sells the firetruck to the City for a nominal fee.

**ii.** CHF retains ownership and signs a long-term lease agreement with the City that would then allow them to register, insure, repair and maintain the firetruck.  
CHF will discuss this further at the next meeting.

**MOTION:** That CHF authorize Chestermere Fire Services to continue repairing and maintaining the firetruck while discussion on future agreement takes place. **M:** D. Nieckar. **S:** K. Clarke. **Carried.**

**b. Public art piece committee** - Rick's Cribbing has quoted approximately \$7800 to do the cribbing, gravel and concrete for the base. Work will be done as soon as weather is suitable.

**c. WID sign partnership committee** – J. Peddlesden & E. McElroy met with the WID office on April 8<sup>th</sup> to correct text and photo descriptions for the signs. Manager Troy Tangedal is very interested in history and enthusiastic about the sign project. He has approved larger signs and WID will cover increased costs. We are awaiting final layouts. Signs expected to be installed this season.

**d. History book reprint** – question about whether an e-book version could be done. J. Peddlesden will check into this.

**MOTION:** That CHF apply for a Chestermere Community Grant to republish *Chestermere: A Home for All Seasons* at an estimated cost of between \$10,000 and \$15,000. **M:** D. Masran. **S:** S. Taylor. **Carried.**

**5. New Business**

**a. Acquisitions & Archive** –

**i. Labelling photos in the library** – tabled.

**ii. Sorting and labelling artifacts** stored at Camp Chestermere. – tabled.

**iii. MOTION:** That CHF accept a donation of three Chestermere hats and an Olympic scarf from Audrey McDonald. **M:** K. Clarke. **Carried.**

**b. Media** – The current *Chestermere Wave* magazine features the Mackenzie family and the next issue will carry an article about the CPR ditchriders.

**c. History & Library Assistant** – will begin work on April 22<sup>nd</sup>.

**d. Seniors Week June 3-9, 2024** –Seniors’ Tea on Tuesday, June 4<sup>th</sup> from 1:00-4:00 pm at the Whitecappers. CHF will give a presentation at 2:00 pm on tidbits from Chestermere history. Kay and Gail Clarke have donated some vintage books to be used in the “historical library” theme display.

**MOTION:** That CHF contribute \$150 towards the cost of food for the Seniors’ Tea. **M:** D. Masran. **S:** R. Blanchard. **Carried.**

CHF has been asked to staff a station at the walk (and possible bike ride) on Tuesday, June 4 from 9:00am-12:30pm. A trade fair will be held on Wednesday, June 5 at the Yacht Club and CHF has been invited to have a table.

**e. Historic Calgary Week** –CHF presentation on Monday, July 29<sup>th</sup> at 1:30pm by D. Masran on the “Story of Camp Chestermere”.

**f. Casino** – Sunday, July 21 & Monday, July 22, 2024 – Six key volunteers needed by May 17th. Please contact J. Peddlesden if you can help.

**6. Next Meeting –Tuesday, May 21, 2024 at 1pm.** No program.

**7. Adjourn** – at 1:57 pm. **M:** K. Clarke. Followed by program, **Southern Alberta Pioneers: 100 Years**, presented by Kathleen Rogers. Attended by 15 people, including guests.

#### **OUTSTANDING CASINO ITEMS from list**

- a. storage other than Camp Chestermere - on hold
- b. name the bridge
- c. children’s book about fire truck
- d. vests for volunteers
- e. dance – The Hippocratic Oath Dance Band – Stacey
- f. biographies of mayors of Chestermere
- g. Conrich School albums - Ideas?

- h. Sea Can for storage
- i. historical photos of local Chestermere families
- j. Chelsea Pioneer Trail
- k. WID Sign Partnership
- l. reprint CAHFAS – apply for 2024 City grant
- m. copy Audrey McDonald’s camcorder recording of pathway opening

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President

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Secretary