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Attendance: René van de Vendel, Destiny Homes Inc. - President;
Jack Van Rijn, Van Rijn Electric LTD – 2nd VP;
Leonard Fast, Leonard D. Fast Law – Corporate Secretary;
Graham Duke, KPMG – Treasurer;
Derek Connick, Westland Insurance Group Ltd. – Director-at-large;
Daryl Tonin, Stop N’ Go – Director-at-large;
Brad Sawka – Eden’s Funeral Home
Robert Wolf – Crop Innovations
Beverly Thomson – North & Company
Jack Penner – NAPA Auto Parts
Ken Schmidt – Coaldale Inn
Briane Simpson – Councillor, Town of Coaldale

Regrets: Terry Roosen, Scotiabank – 1st VP
John Pollemans, Pollemans Homes & Rentals, – Director-at-large;
Jack Penner, NAPA Auto Parts

Guest: Colleen Van Raalte – Executive Director

1. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Addition or Deletions
-Removal of Town Presentation
-Presidents Report at the end

MOTION

MSC: L. Fast/D. Connick
BIMT the members approve the agenda.
Carried

3. MINUTES AGM 2019 -INSERT 2.0

-Amendment to the spelling of Briane’s name.

MOTION

MSC: J. Van Rijn/L. Fast
BIMT the members approve the minutes.
Carried

4. **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE** - René van de Vendel

- The Chamber has been working on restructuring itself as an organization. You will see today the outcome of this work as reflected in our new budget and in our proposed changes to the bylaw.
- Then COVID hit, and like every business and organization, we were left scrambling. We dealt with event cancellations and had to figure out how to operate under the health restrictions.
- One of the visible results of our restructuring is that we have rebranded the Coaldale Chamber, providing a new logo and a new website. Thanks to Jack and especially Colleen for the work done on that.
- Thank you also to Graham who has worked on some upgrades to the budget, reflecting the new initiatives as set out by the Chamber board.
- Thank you also to all the board members for all of their work and to Colleen for working behind the scenes.

5. **REVIEW OF LAST YEARS FINANCIAL STATEMENTS** – INSERT 3.0 - Graham Duke

- Colleen does the day-to-day bookkeeping while Graham reviews them at the end of the month.
- Graham Duke, treasurer for the Coaldale Chamber states the books are all in good standing as of 2019.

MOTION

MSC: Graham/Jack Van Rijn

BIMT the members approve the financial statements of 2019.

Carried

6. **CURRENT (2020) BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS**

- Our current bylaws tell us that our board approves the budget.
- The budget included in your package is just for review as an item for information.
- No comments were received regarding the budget.

7. **PROPOSED BYLAW CHANGES** - INSERT 5.0 - Leonard Fast

- Leonard went through the bylaws and highlighting all the changes with members providing feedback as necessary.
- It should be noted that the election term in the new bylaw will be for a two-year term. It will be decided at the board level who will carry out the full two-year term and who will be asked to carry out a one-year term. This will help the future transition of a newly elected board from year to year.

MOTION

MSC: L. Fast/K. Schmidt

BIMT the members approve the proposed bylaw changes.

Carried

8. NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS

- Elections today is for one president and a minimum of six directors.
- Leonard Fast opens the floor to nominations.
- René agrees to let his name stand for President
- Jack Penner and Robert Woolf indicate their willingness to become nominees for director.
- Jack Van Rijn ceased nominations and the president and directors were acclaimed.
- The following Chamber members have agreed to let their names stand for 2020-2021 year as Officers and Directors

Destiny Homes Inc., René van de Vendel – President

Scotiabank, **Terry Roosen** - Director

476380 Alberta Ltd, Jack Van Rijn - Director

Leonard D. Fast Law, Leonard Fast- Director

Pollemans Homes & Rentals, John Pollemans - Director

Stop N' Go, Daryl Tonin - Director

Westland Insurance Group Ltd., Derek Connick - Director

NAPA Auto Part, Jack Penner - Director

Crop Innovations Inc., Robert Woolf - Director

EDJ Machacek LLP, Everett Duerksen – Past President

MOTION

MSC: J. Van Rijn/D. Tonin

BIMT the members approve the Coaldale Chamber of Commerce Officers and Directors for the 2020-2021 year.

Carried

9. QUESTION PERIOD

- Although we had a late AGM this year due to COVID, we will maintain our annual AGM schedule by hosting one in the Spring of 2021.
- Jack and Daryl make mention of hosting one of the light festival evenings. An email will be circulated.

10. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION

MC: D. Connick

BIMT Board approves to adjourn the meeting.

Carried