

Attending: Julie Pilon, Carmen Philips, Larry Thomson, Nick Hodge, Sherry Kineshanko, Curt Reimer, Wanda Johnson, Christine Lishman

Regrets: Rick Fairbairn, Josh Gutknecht, Kevin Kwast

- 1. Whitevalley Agenda
  - Additions to the Agenda -
  - Business arising from the minutes None
  - January 2024 minutes
  - Finance Committee report
  - ED report
  - Consent Agenda approved **MSC** (Sheri/Nick)

### 2. Finances

- Finance committee report
- As Josh Gutknecht is now the fulltime Principal at Charles Bloom Secondary School the Finance Committee agrees it would be beneficial to the Agency to have an additional signing authority person to sign Executive Directors cheques and also if the ED is away there is another backup.

## Motions:

 Add Josh Gutknecht as a signing authority on the Whitevalley Community Resource Centre bank accounts held at Valley First Credit Union and Scotiabank – Lumby MSC (Curt/Larry)

## 3. Strategic Report

- ED Report
  - Sherry asked what the breakdown of children and youth are in the counselling waitlist. There are 8 youth and 6 children.
- New Spaces In Camera (Curt/Nick)
- Motion to come out (Larry/Carmen)

## 4. Men's Shed update

- Information meeting will be held at the Lumby Legion on Saturday, February 24<sup>th</sup> at 10:30am. Christine spoke with the organizer and he clarified how a branch starts and it's a grassroots small startup process. Jenny P will be in attendance on behalf of WCRC and Nick will also be in attendance.

## 5. Strategic Update

 Glen Benischek from Vantage One Credit Union offered to assist WCRC with an updated plan for Strategy and Planning. Christine shared a video and short power point on the difference between strategy and planning and how they are two different things and the concept of Strategic Planning has evolved. Christine will reach out to get more details on how much time/resources we would need to move forward. Nick mentioned Lorelei Fiset also does this kind of work. Christine mentioned she could find out what her approach is and what the cost is but the Board felt given Glen was volunteering to do it we will work with him as Strategic Planning can be quite expensive. Christine will follow up with Glen.

# 6. Round Table Updates

- **Wanda:** RDNO bought a new piece of property in Cherryville by Frank's Store. The fire truck will be located there and the plan is to eventually construct a building for fire truck with a small office to support the truck. They have started a volunteer fire department and the Westside firehall has been teaching them each week to those residents who are interested. The property could also eventually accommodate the library moving there or even a museum. The property can be used for the community and meet whatever the needs might need.
- Nick In the January Board meeting Nick brought up his request to have the WCRC Board write a letter of support for a bypass around the Village of Lumby. It was suggested he could bring his reasonings to the February Board meeting. Nick did provide a summary of why he thought the Board could write the letter of support, however, after much discussion the Board agreed WCRC should remain focused on social services as that is our area of expertise and keep the infrastructure improvements to the Village of Lumby and the Ministry of Transportation. Motions:
  - Larry made a motion to not support Nick's request. MSC(Larry/Curt). Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned – 5:18 PM Wanda

Next meeting March 13<sup>st</sup> at 4PM

Signature

Date