



## **AGM Minutes March 5<sup>th</sup>, 2020**

### **Dinner Agenda**

- The Burin Peninsula Chamber of Commerce began the Annual General Meeting at the Marystown Hotel & Convention Centre in Salon A on March 5, 2020.
- Registration began at 6:00 p.m. and cocktails began at 6:30pm.
- The Master of ceremonies was John Baker, who gave the opening remarks.
- Former President of the Chamber, Russ Murphy, said the opening prayer.
- Dinner (Pan fried cod) began at 7:00pm.
- MHA Jeff Dwyer and Cathy Ann Bolt (proxy for MHA Carol Anne Haley) gave greetings.
- MP Churence Rogers sends his regrets.
- Keynote speaker was Mark Lane, who is C.D. Executive Director of NAIA (Newfoundland Aquaculture Industry Association).

### **President's Report (Annual General Meeting)**

- John began the AGM by welcoming the MHAs, Keynote Speaker, members, and the public.
- John introduced the former board of directors' and read out the Chamber's mission statement to all to explain how the Chamber was focusing and living up to the words that were written.
- John Focused on the Pillars of the community:
  - Kiewit Offshore Services
  - Grieg NL Aquaculture
  - Canadian Fluorspar Inc.
  - Marbase/Former Marystown Shipyard
  - Ocean Choice International
  - Oceanic Relief
- John also Focused on Chamber's involvement in 2019/2020 :
  - NAIA Aquaculture Conference.
  - PAC - Minimum Wage Increase.
  - Marbase sale of the Shipyard - Press release/social media; Marbase release of the EA and start of Lump Fish Hatchery.

- o John Coady Memorial Golf Tournament – Thank you to all organizers and volunteers, and members/public you attended.
- o The Community Sector Council NL – Accelerate Growth; new strategies for engaging youth/young adults.
- o Burin Thriving Regions Partnership Process Workshop.
- o InstaGrowth workshop with NLOWE and GBDC.
- o PBIS (Placentia Bay Industrial Showcase) in Placentia.
- o Women’s Leadership Conference in Marystown.
- o Grand Bank Tradeshow in Grand Bank.
- o BPRSB ( Burin Peninsula Regional Service Board) Waste Management Meeting.
- o Marytown/Burin School System – Potential closure of Pearce Junior High; Save our School.
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### **Adoption and Approval of Financial Report**

- John read through the financial report and informed everyone that the Annual Financial Report along with the Annual Report was on display in the PowerPoint Presentation that is demonstrated on the screens, and paper copies were provided for those you wish to read them. He indicated that the Financial report was prepared by the Chamber’s Head Office Administrator, Christa Power.
- Don called to move a motion to accept the adoption and approval of the financial report prepared by Christa Power. Joseph Avery moved to accept the report; and seconded by Cindy Picco. Everyone said Aye to accept. **Motioned Approved.**

### **Announcement of New Board**

- The next order of business was the introduction of the new Board of Directors’:
  - o Joseph Avery 1<sup>st</sup> VP (Owner & Operator ), Jeff Brushett (Catapult Minerals), Levi Curtis (Travels Professional International), Karen Farrell (Brennan’s Store Limited), Renee Johnson (Fishermen’s View B&B).
- Joseph Avery announcement the New board 2020-2021:
  - o Joseph Avery, John Baker, Jack Brenton, Jeff Brushett, Levi Curtis, Karen Farrell, Renee Johnson, Wassel Lewis, Albert Pike, Gary Pike, and Alphonse Stacey.
- Mayor Paul Pike of St. Lawrence & Lawyer Cindy Picco (MacBeath’s Law Firm) administered the Swearing-In Oath to all new members and John shook hands with all the new members.
- John said farewell and said thank-you to Board of Directors who graciously served their two-year term:
  - o Cindy Picco, Sharon Snook, Mario Walsh, Craig Moore

### **Keynote Speaker**

- At 8 p.m. John introduced Mark Lane and read a bio about Mark Lane; Mark spoke and showed us a 30 min presentation.
- 8:30 p.m. John presented Mark Lane with a gift to say Thank-you.

### **Closing Remarks**

- John thanked all members for attending the AGM.
- John thanked Russ Murphy, our Honorary member, for attending and saying Grace.
- John thanked our Keynote speaker Mark Lane for joining us and giving a wonderful speech and presentation.
- John thanked everyone who helped with the AGM.
- The meeting was adjourned at 9 p.m. Motioned by: John Baker; seconded by: Albert Pike. **Motioned Carried.**