

BIRTLE MINIOTA & DISTRICT DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
Meeting Notes for the Regular meeting of December 6th, 2023
IN PERSON – Miniota RM

The Birtle Miniota & District CDC met for a regular meeting in person Wednesday December 6th, 2023.

Members in Attendance: Steve Desjardins, Nat Howard, Mike Fulcher, Delbert Cole, Linda Clarke

Regrets: Jeanine Cymbalisky, Brian Lee

Staff: Eleanor Dnistransky

Agenda Motion: Delbert/Linda To accept the agenda as presented. Carried.

Minutes Motion: Mike/Steve To adopt the minutes of Nov 1, 2023 as previously received. Carried.

Financials Motion: Financials were reviewed **Motion:** Steve/Linda to adopt the Nov. 2023 Financial Statements and the receivables as previously sent to the board and reviewed at the meeting. Carried. The 40k will be made available to the CDC next year once additional staff is recruited.

Economic Dev Officer: Charlene & a couple board members will try to do interviews before Christmas. Lots of resumes with 7 potential candidates.

Miniota Building: No enquiries to date.

Motion: Delbert/Steve To set the following rental rates as a guide for the building in Miniota All rates would have GST added to it. **442 sq' HAIR SALON, \$400 p/m 1st & 2nd Yr. 323 sq' OFFICE / RETAIL SPACE \$285 p/m 1st Yr. \$300 p/m 2nd yr. then re negotiate 675 sq' OPAM PROPOSE \$800 p/m April 2024- Feb 2025 \$850 p/m March 2025** Carried

Staff will call NewArt and Shear Expressions to see if they would like to rent and send down a stylist. They will also contact H&Co Academy School and send them down some info regarding the space.

We will put a ½ page ad in the Virden paper.

We will advertise again with all the pictures on facebook

Birtle Salon Floor: Message read from the owner regarding a concern with the flooring in the salon. They would like it changed. Pics of the floor were sent with the agenda. Staff will contact Fouillards and Selbys to get a price for linoleum and ask for a price for redoing it just under the sinks. Staff will also text tenant to see if they have a preference on style.

Small Town Christmas Judging: Business & Residential Dec 6-15th. Will advertise to get rural nominations again. Registered businesses were given to board. Judges will try to not choose previous winners unless updated decorations.

Birtle Welcome Night: Approx. 130. Suggestion for some type of food next year. No popcorn. Made a mess. Need to balance kids having fun with speeches. Was too noisy for anyone in the back to hear.

Holiday Request: Approved for Eleanor Dec 8-15th

Walking Bridge & Youth: Discussion on re-engaging youth and walking bridge project that was of interest to them. Perhaps it is a project that could fit in with the landscape class at the high school. Staff will contact RM to see if they can share any details on requirements.

Next Meeting: Next Meeting in Birtle Jan. 15/23

ADJOURN: Delbert / Steve