

**Minutes of Lodge Meeting – Thursday, 10<sup>th</sup> July 2025**

- The general meeting of the Perth Elks Lodge # 362 was held on Thursday, 10<sup>th</sup> July at 6:00 pm with ER Alan Young presiding.
- Opening ceremony was conducted.
- Initiation – Ron Gaunce conducted the initiation of our newest member, Ed Weatherbee. Ed was accompanied by his wife Shirley. Ed addressed the Lodge. After the devastating fire they experienced before Christmas, he and Shirley were very thankful for the outpouring of support by the community.
- Alan asked if there were any omissions or corrections of the Minutes from 8<sup>th</sup> May 2025. Les Smith stated that it was his father-in-law vice his mother-in-law that had passed. There being no other issues, Ron Gaunce MOVED and Jamie Dooling SECONDED the motion to accept with this amendment. MOTION CARRIED.
- Treasurers Report – Gary Grant stated that our Scotia Bank account is healthy. Ron Gaunce stated our ticket sales on the BBQ matched our goal. Gary reiterated what the Lodge expenses are approximately per month. A MOTION TO ACCEPT the treasurer's report was made by Gary Grant. SECONDED by Les Smith. MOTION CARRIED.
- Committee Reports
  - Finance

Al McPhail stated that the committee is reviewing the first draft of the accountant statement. Some committee budgets for FY 25/26 have yet to be submitted. The final draft of the Lodge budget should be completed soon and hopefully approved by the finance committee and the Exec.
  - Membership

Janet Gee stated that the committee will meet in July to finalize the budget and agree on a logo.
  - Management
    1. Jamie Dooling reported that a new triple door cooler had been acquired for the bar,
    2. Jim Dunlap had removed the sod and would be installing new crusher dust for the walkway from the residential driveway to the parking lot,
    3. White Precast has informed the Lodge the new front steps and kitchen steps will be installed next week,
    4. The building committee will price siding for the covered walkway as well as replacement chairs.
  - Entertainment
    1. Alan Young reported the washer toss tournament had been rescheduled to 6<sup>th</sup> Sep. Jerry and Celi Inman have volunteered to coordinate and run. Sponsorship and prizes are being sought. There will be a requirement for volunteers on the day of the event, BBQ in shifts.
    2. A golf tournament at Plaster Rock Golf Club has been tentatively scheduled for 13<sup>th</sup> Sep. A final decision will be made for the next meeting.
    3. The Bryson Reunion, 2<sup>nd</sup> August requires volunteers to prepare the salads and serve. Many present committed. A general call will go out to all members if required.
  - Charities
    1. Gary Grant stated two bursaries will be issued for FY 25/26.

2. Mark Johnson stated that the Terms of Reference for the Charities Committee need to be reviewed and a meeting with the Finance, Charity and Strategic Committees is required to discuss this issue. This will be coordinated before the end of July.

- Wellness – Heather Wallace had nothing to report.
- New or Unfinished Business – There was no new or unfinished business identified.
- Correspondence
  - I. Jed received one thank you card from Hotel Dieu for assisting with the staff BBQ.
  - II. A thank you letter from Sabrina Perry, Grace Notes, for the continued support to music students from the Village. Al McPhail recommended the Lodge invite Grace Notes students to perform.
- Good of the Order
  - I. Alan Young stated that a BBQ will be held following the Aug General Meeting.
  - II. Les Smith stated that Lodge Officers should follow procedures and remain in place throughout the meeting. If there is a requirement for Officers to be occupied elsewhere then another member should be approached to fill their seat.
- Meeting adjourned 6:50 pm.

NOTE: Confirm next Lodge Meeting – Thursday, 14<sup>th</sup> Aug, 2025

Fraternally yours,



Jed Lockyer