

## **Pilot Mound & District Chamber of Commerce October Meeting 2008**

The monthly lunch meeting was held on October 22<sup>nd</sup> at the Homesteader Restaurant. Meeting was called to order and September minutes were read and approved.

The following reports were given by Chamber members:

Hotel and New Sign : Roland Desrochers - Roland reported the hotel is coming along fast and there is interest to hire a family as managers. The sign is still in the works with Gardiner signs, with a further meeting set up. Motion passed to have 4 pictures of notable local athletes on the sign.

Fellowship Centre: Carolanne for Lois Lynch - The Grant Committee of the Pilot Mound Fellowship Club are busy putting together an application for a New Horizons grant for structural and furnishing improvements. The 35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary was a great success and the PM Chamber was thanked for the flowers. A request was made to the PM Chamber for a letter of support to add to the grant application and a motion passed.

Town of Pilot Mound: Audrey Wilson reported that the taxes are now due and all else remains the same as the September meeting report.

Fall Smorg Report: Carolanne reported a very successful Fall Smorg was held on the 28<sup>th</sup> of September, 2008, with an increase in attendance and revenues. Prices increased from \$10 to \$12 for adults. The take-out meals to harvesters proved a big bonus and food sales were the best so far. All areas of the Smorg were complimented on a superb effort and sincerely thanked for their continued participation. As the Smorgs are our only fund raiser, we couldn't do it without you.

PMMRC: Fay McCannell reported on the progress of the complex and the urgent need for funds. A motion was passed to donate \$2,500.00 to PMMRC in October, with a further donation to be made in November, 2008

LCDC: Jack Lovell, CDO, reported that a 3-day convention will be held by the Economic Developers Association of Manitoba on November 5, 6 and 7<sup>th</sup>, at the Cartwright Curling Club with a conducted tour to Killarney, Mather and Pilot Mound. The conference will conclude at the Harvest Moon Society in Clearwater. About 30 delegates will be staying at hotels in Cartwright, Killarney and Baldur.

Registration packages will be prepared for the delegates and Penny Burton, EDO for Roblin-Cartwright is asking for business information, flyers, coupons, vouchers, or small gifts from Pilot Mound business' which can be included in these packages. Information is available at the LCDC office.

Ez Collins requested the PM Chamber investigate the possibility of getting Pilot Mound information included in the booklet - Destination Manitoba and Travel Manitoba. Jack agreed to check on this request.

Financial report was adopted as read.

Discussion was held on the availability of the Wilson Family, their horses and equipment for the Chamber Annual Sleigh Ride, tentative date Wednesday December 10<sup>th</sup>, with a bad weather date the following week. Audrey will get back to us at the November meeting.

A discussion was held on the republication of the PM Centennial Cookbook. There have been many requests for copies, which were sold out on the first publication. Motion passed to order 300 cook books republished by the Winnipeg publishers.

Donna Sanford thanked the PM Chamber for the bouquet of flowers in recognition of her new Bed and Breakfast now open for business in Pilot Mound. We wish Donna and Jack much success with their new venture.

Next meeting will be held on November 19<sup>th</sup>, noon, Homesteader Restaurant.

Meeting adjourned.