



*July 24, 2024*  
*Meeting Minutes*

***In attendance:***

Patrick Giroux  
Shelley Wark-Martyn  
Sally Samuel  
Sarah Ferguson

Joylynn Matheson  
Mike Pasma  
Justin Dabu

Meeting called to order at 18:25.

***President's Report***

- Two new potential members joined this meeting: Mike Pasma and Justin Dabu. Both have expressed interest in joining the MTCA.
- Shelley suggested that we set a date for AGM. It was agreed that Wednesday, September 18<sup>th</sup> would make the best date, beginning at 6pm so that all members can make it.
- Shelley also shared she will not remain as President in the fall due to her travel schedule but will stay on as Past President.
- Action item: Sarah will find more information on community plans from the City for parks and trees, and report back.

***Treasurer's Report***

- Patrick discussed the financial balance sheet and income statements, updated as of July 22. He shared that they needed Shelley's signature.
- Patrick also updated that the MTCA has recently moved some of its funds from ATB to Servus Credit Union (SCU).
- We moved \$5,000 in June over to SCU, expecting to receive interest, but did not. It turns out that SCU only gives interest for savings accounts, not chequing accounts.
- Patrick shared that we have two options:
  - 1) Close the account at SCU or,
  - 2) Keep the SCU account, placing money in high yield savings and some in a checking account, moving funds between the two accounts based on motions passed at future meetings.
- Our current balance is \$3,985.51 at ATB, and \$5,020 at SCU.
- Patrick recommended that we move 5K at SCU to a savings account and move remaining funds from ATB to SCU chequing account.
- Patrick made the motion that we move to two bank accounts at SCU. Shelley seconded the motion. Motion passed.
- It was also shared that MTCA e-transfers now go into SCU, after Patrick closed the transfer system at ATB.
- MTCA received two memberships since the last meeting (one in June, one in July), bringing the total to 11.
- Patrick explained that we should begin brainstorming events for this year (noting that last year's included a winter clothing drive, a food bank drive, and a toy drive).
- Action item: Patrick will talk to Sobey's that they're not booked, is possible. Officer – fill the car.
- Action item: Patrick and Sally will research other charities (ex. Parachutes for Pets), especially local, that we could run events for.



### *Secretary's Report*

- Sally contacted former Vice President, Kimberly Stewart. Kimberly confirmed that she is willing to transport the MTCA's items from her garage to a different garage, or to the McKenzie Towne Hall.
- Action item: Sally will ask Jim if there is any storage space available at the Hall. If not, she will find a different space for items, and confirm with Kimberly about a transfer plan.
- Sally also confirmed that she received stats from Michael about the website. She and Patrick will continue to investigate as to how they can improve the website and increase stats.
- It was earlier recommended that we should change mailboxes from Digital Post to either Rexall or Shoppers for better access (check if there's a waitlist if necessary) and possibly a better price. Action item: Sally will inquire about price and availability at both stores for a different mailbox option, once our contract with DP is complete.
- Action item: Sally agreed to create a poster for the September AGM.
- Action item: check with Michael to see if he has access to MTCA Facebook or Instagram.
- Sally suggested hosting a photography contest, and it was recommended that the prize be the cover for the 'Talk of the Towne' (TOTT) leaflet's cover picture.
- Action item: Get TOTT contact email from Shelley.

Meeting adjourned at 20:06.