

Gloucester Tourism Commission

Meeting March 9, 2015

City Hall, 9 Dale Avenue, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor

Meeting Minutes:

Present: Tom Daniel, Carol Thistle, Pauline Bresnahan, Laura Dow, John Orlando Catherine Ryan, Laura Baker, Peter Webber

Absent: Zach Sears, Karen Ristuben

Also Present: Tobin Dominick

A motion to accept the minutes of the last meeting (2/11/15) was made by Laura Baker and 2<sup>nd</sup> by John Orlando.

The remainder of the 2015 budget was discussed, reviewed and approved as presented with \$1,000 being given to Cape Ann Chamber and the Gloucester Charter Company request being tabled until new non-profit board formed. For this budget approval – no money will be given to Gloucester Charter Company.

A motion to approve the budget was made by Catherine Ryan and second by Pauline Bresnahan.

The newly formed transition committee was discussed briefly and a brief summary from their first meeting was reported by Carol Thistle.

Catherine updated us on Gloucester's Commonwealth Award and Tom updated us on the Seafood Show exhibit.

It was discussed that we need to get a press release together with all our combined efforts and positive developments in the tourism front. This needs to be a strong "one voice" press release showing the combinations of all efforts towards the goal of working together in promoting Gloucester's tourism.

Pauline agreed to create a letter to zoning board or DPW in order to control miscellaneous signs cluttering the Welcome to Gloucester sign area.

Motion to adjourn was made at 7:45PM by Peter Webber and second by Laura Baker.

Next Meeting: Monday, April 6, 2015