

**Regular Board Meeting  
Wednesday, December 13, 2023  
Lundar Legion Hall – 5:00 p.m.**

**PRESENT:** Janice Lowry, Chair  
Darryl Langrell  
Lana Cowling-Mason, GM/CDC  
Keith McLelland, Vice-Chair  
Charlotte Lindell  
Greg Morden  
Bill Eyolfson  
Kelynda Springer, OA  
Jim Scharf

**ABSENT:** Kristy Hill  
Diane Bottrell  
Yves Combot  
CFWI Business Analyst

The meeting was called to order at 5:21 p.m.

Introductions and welcome to new board member, Charlotte Lindell.

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Moved by Darryl Langrell, seconded by Greg Morden **THAT** the agenda be adopted as presented.

**CARRIED**

**R2023/2024-39**

**ADOPTION OF NOVEMBER 8, 2023 MEETING MINUTES**

Moved by Keith McLelland, seconded by Greg Morden **THAT** the November 8, 2023 meeting minutes be adopted as presented.

**CARRIED**

**R2023/2024-40**

**BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

**Regional Development Strategy** – Lana had a discussion with Interlake Eastern Regional Health Authority (IERHA) regarding the housing development needed in response to the communities of Ashern and Eriksdale to support of the hospitals. IERHA is willing to bring together the people who we need to talk to who understand the housing needs for their clients. If the IERHA wants sustainable housing in our communities they will need to partner and bring the right person to the table to start the discussion.

**ROF 2.0** – Interlake Community Edge session has been done. Training completed in the Central region at the beginning of December in Carman. The rest of the dates in January, February and March in southern Manitoba and then the north after that. There will be extra session in regions of higher demand.

**CF Manitoba Representative** – Diane will be terming out next year from our board. CFWI will need to fill her position on the CFM board.

**Capital Campaign Workshop – November 22, 2023 – Oak Point** – good attendance, just under 20 attendees. Very positive feedback and some follow up with groups.

**Practical Board Governance Training – November 23, 2023 – Lundar** – good attendance, evaluations were positive, just under 20 attendees. In future may have to charge a nominal fee for workshops, so attendees commit to attending.

Growing communities one idea at a time.

Providing financial and community economic development assistance to the West Interlake.

**Heartland Partnership** – CF Heartland has approved the shared position. Which will serve St. Francis Xavier, Headingly and Cartier (Elie). Will start advertising the position next week. Promote through EDAM, Facebook, and our partners. Hope to have someone hired by the end of January.

**OPERATING FINANCIAL REPORT / ACCOUNTS PAYABLE / INVESTMENT FUND FINANCIAL REPORT**

Total Investments as of November 30, 2023 was 173 for a total amount of \$5,516,383.08. 11 investments were in arrears by \$138,401.16. Three business plans were approved. Two in hospitality for \$40,000 and \$130,000 and one in the manufacturing sector for \$20,000.

Moved by Darryl Langrell, seconded by Bill Eyolfson **THAT** the board has reviewed the November 1 - 30, 2023 accounts payable pre-authorized payments and cheques numbered 1342 – 1357 in the amount of \$37,771.46, and the investment fund financial report account balances as at November 30, 2023 and adopts the reports as presented.

**CARRIED**

**R2023/2024-41**

**STAFF ACTIVITY REPORTS** – for the period of November 1 - 30, 2023 was circulated.

**PRIORITY AREAS**

**ONGOING HELP FOR COMMUNITY GROUPS** – Numerous requests for training and assistance with governance issues.

**TOURISM** – The ITA Manager is on maternity leave. Samantha Hampton is the interim manger for the next three months. The Guide advertising requests are going out.

**CF MANITOBA** – Strategic Planning session is January 11<sup>th</sup> in Winnipeg. The CF Managers have been invited. Numbers are down on the lending side. Discussion on how to encourage and market the CF program and how to manage and streamline our budget.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**ADOPTION OF THE 2024/25 STRATEGIC PLAN**

Moved by Bill Eyolfson, seconded by Darryl Langrell **THAT** the board approves the 2024/25 Strategic Plan as presented with the addition of: Side Hustle – training partnership with Indigenous communities to provide business planning training and start-up supports and the Youth Leadership Retreat.

**CARRIED**

**R2023/2024-42**

**ADOPTION OF THE 2024/25 ANNUAL CORPORATIONS BUDGET**

Moved by Greg Morden, seconded by Jim Scharf **THAT** the board approves the 2024/25 annual corporation budget as presented.

**CARRIED**

**R2023/2024-43**

**ADOPTION OF THE 2024/25 INVESTMENT TRANSFER**

Moved by Keith McLelland, seconded by Greg Morden **THAT** the board approves the 2024/25 Investment Fund transfer in the amount of \$25,000 as presented.

**CARRIED**

**R2023/2024-44**

**Office closed over the holidays – December 27, 2023 – January 2, 2024**

Moved by Keith McLelland, seconded by Bill Eyolfson **THAT** the Community Futures West Interlake office close for December 27, 2023 to January 2, 2024 with staff being provided the time off.

**CARRIED**

**R2023/2024-45**

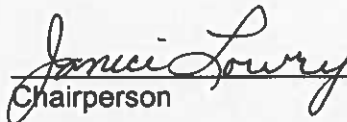
**Next Meeting – March 13, 2024**

**ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by Greg Morden, seconded by Darryl Langrell **THAT** the meeting adjourn at 6:07 pm.

**CARRIED**

**R2023/2024-46**

  
Chairperson

  
Vice-Chairperson