In attendance: Roger Lorenson, Jeff Huolt, James Rennie, Shelley Dreger, Cynthia McLachlan, Greg Lepage, Lisa Henschel, Dawn Trent, Lindsay Gross, Kenny Herman, Brenda McKinney, Cindy McGrath, Melissa Emmerzael

1. CALL TO ORDER: Roger called this meeting to order at 7:05pm
2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Minutes July 2016 – add mention of harvest fest to PR report. Greg motioned to accept minutes with addition. Jeff seconded – Carried. (2 abstain)
3. ADDITION/APPROVAL AGENDA: Additions: Items to discuss – pending player releases, Oil Kings, 1660 meeting Sept 10, Zone 4 meeting Sept. 11, governor needed, 1660 league rep. Becky motioned to accept the agenda with the additions, Jeff seconded - Carried
4. REPORTS:

a) **PRESIDENT** – Roger Lorensen

 - Nothing to report. Roger would like to formally apologize for being so busy over the last few months with work and not being able to be as involved in MMHA as he would like. Work will hopefully slow down for Roger over the winter so he can be more involved in the goings on of the association.

 **b):VICE-PRESIDENT** – Jeff Huolt

* Nothing to report.
1. **TREASURER** –Lisa Henschel
* Account Balances (all acouunts are up to date as of August 30): 2016 raffle $9646.52, Casino $36.07, Bingo $47312.47, General $64660.38, Raffle $150.58
* Kenny attended the meeting to discuss the raffle funds that were not accounted for. Upon going through the scenarios, it was learned that there were many books sold at the different tournaments and the funds for those raffle books were not kept separate, but put in with the general revenues from the various tournaments. Brenda motioned to take $1118.00 from general chequing to put into the raffle account to balance the raffle difference. Cynthia seconded. All in favour –carried. Kenny also recommended whoever runs/chairs any raffle in the future to be in charge / responsible for the cash and reconcile all cash/raffle books as they come in.
* Motion to accept the treasurers report: Greg motioned, James seconded. Carried.
1. **REGISTRAR** – Becky Buchaski
* Numbers – updated numbers will be given at the meeting:initiation 15, novice 28, atom 11, peewee 14 (4 are in tryouts)
* Early registration dates: Town of Millet registration evening Thursday, September 8 6-8pm at town hall & Monday September 12 7:00-8:30pm – place to be announced.
* Provincial Host Bids are due November 15, should we want to host a provincial tournament. Heads up that it is a lot of work / commitment and you need to have a competitive team.
* Team declaration date for provincials, any team wanting to go into provincials – December 1, 2016 deadline. If your team is interested, Becky needs to know 5 days prior to that date in order for paperwork to be complete.
* Complete coach certification deadline is October 31, 2016.
* Hockey Alberta has recommended that the safety course be taken by a coach on the team.
* It is also being recommended that all coaches must have respect in sport coach before allowing them on the ice. This will force them to start the certification process and potentially not hold up rosters and teams from approval by Hockey Alberta. Becky motioned: MMHA Board states that Respect In Sport Coach is to be completed before coaches are able to get on the ice with their team. Cynthia seconded. All in favour (1 abstain).
* Coordinators have been sent out their passwords and logins. They are able to go onto the website and start organizing their teams and information. Maybe a good time to send out an introductory email to their teams.
* Coach binders are ready and have been given to Lindsay.
* Becky have been working on the website with Debbie and I believe it is up to date for now. Discussion that there a few things that need to be checked (old contact information), and it will be looked into.
* Posters have not been ordered as I only have received pictures from 2 people and that is not enough to create a poster with.
* Shelley dropped off Hockey pamphlets at the Millet schools to be handed out to all students.
* Incident report books have been ordered.
* Releases for Liam and Carter were discussed. Roger will follow up with Liam’s parents. Carter’s request was discussed with the board with positions on why he should be allowed to play in Wetaskiwin as well as reasons it would be better to remain in Millet. After a lengthy discussion, there was a ballot vote. Yes (to be released) – 7 No (stay in Millet) – 7. Roger cast the deciding vote after voicing his thoughts that this is a very difficult decision. Roger voted yes so Carter will be released. (Brenda & Jose abstain).
* Long and heated conversation with Brenda sharing her thoughts on how things have been run on the board and how evaluations were done last year. Many opinions were shared that aren’t necessarily how things unfolded in the past, with not a lot of constructive thoughts going forward were offered.
1. **PLAYER / COACH DEVELOPMENT –** Lindsay Gross
* - Thanks for the manpower hours put in resulting in Pembina energy granting MMHA new bumper pads for our initiation teams. They are set to be delivered in October and it would be great to have media there to get some photos of the bumpers with Jose (maybe some players as well?) Is this something someone can look into? For further dates and details regarding the bumpers look at Hockey Alberta website – all the winners are posted there.
* - Coaching clinics – October 29 checking skills ( off ice 10am – 1pm, on ice 1:30-2:45) / November 5 Coach 1 (off ice 10:30-12:00, on ice 12:30-1:45). Great times for our coaches to help minimize drive times. \*Can this information please be posted on the website.
* - Several coach applications have been received and it looks like we need a coach selection committee for the PeeWee team as all the other teams only had one coach apply. There will be a meeting on September 12 with VP, Coach Development and the level coordinator to hold coach interviews. Coaches will get a list of questions ahead of time.
* It needs to be decided, once we know numbers, how to split the teams (evaluations or first year/ second year player split). Part of how teams were split was discussed especially after the lengthy conversation held earlier in the meeting. Thoughts on bringing in outside evaluators, players assigned numbers rather than names etc. as ideas so people shouldn’t be upset with results. A reminder that the suggestions are how evaluations were held last year and still there were issues, many due to players choosing not to play which changed the team numbers. Based on the flak from the way people reacted to the two team scenario last year, a decision was made for Cindy (novice coordinator) to contact all the parent on the novice teams asking them the following questions: Do parents want players on two equal teams, tiered teams and who would they choose to pick the teams (board members or outside evaluators).
* Coaching clinic set Sept.10 in Red Deer and we need to have someone attend on our behalf (Lindsay isn’t able to attend).
* Development director seminar on Sept.10 at Red Deer college, we are encouraged to have someone attend and Lindsay isn’t able to. He checked with Josh Giacobbo who also isn’t able to attend – anyone else we can think of who would be able to attend?
* An encouragement from Lindsay to attend the Hockey Alberta meeting as they are very informative and useful meetings. Also for anyone attending, it should also be encouraged that they share the pertinent information they gain from attending the meeting with the board/coaches (whoever it would apply to).
* Based on the issues arising from this meeting and in the past, Lindsay has announced he will be resigning from his position as soon as the hockey season is up and running. He does so regretfully as his intention was to get MMHA into the best possible position in regards to player and coach development, but given the way things are panning out he is choosing to resign.
1. **ICE COORDINATOR** – James Rennie
* All practices, game slots, power skating and clinics have been finalized for our 2016/17 season.
* James is waiting for ice contract to be sent by Don or Megan (Don’s assistant) and once they are reviewed it will be sent to Lisa and Roger for a signature.
* September 10 is the final date to submit game slots to Jesse at 1660 which will be done after reviewing ice contract.
1. **REFEREE IN CHIEF** –Greg LePage
* November 12 – Referee Clinic in Millet. Maximum is 30 and so far one is signed up. Greg will contact the zone 4 rep to let other associations know about the clinic being held in Millet.
* Referees from our association can be reimbursed for the cost of the course.

1. **BINGO COORDINATOR** – Dawn Trent
* Casino date of Dec.14/15 is set. Joyce will be coming to work the casino, and as she also works every bingo to consistently help out our association. Dawn motioned for Joyce to have a room paid for in Red Deer for one night. Cynthia seconded. All in favour.
* More information about shifts will be forthcoming. 6 hours shifts will get 2 credits, midnight shift will get 2 credits, all day shift will be 4 credits.
1. **EQUIPMENT** – Jose DelaCruz
* No report but discussion about getting a hold of an inventory list of what we have for equipment etc.
1. **PUBLIC RELATIONS** – Cynthia
* Logos on ice was discussed – because it was in the minutes from a previous meeting that the treasurer should be contacting potential sponsors, sponsors weren’t contacted as of yet (treasurer will be in charge of invoices and receipts). Going forward, a few people from the board will contact the following: Roger will contact ATB, Cynthia will contact Co-Op, Draintech and Coaches Source for Sports, Jeff will contact Bigstone and Diamond S Contracting. As from previous discussion, these amounts need to be paid in full before being put on the ice.
* Photos are October 6 – they will bring in whatever past photos they can find.
* Thanks to Shelley and Arly for decorating and offering the use of their truck and trailer.
* Welcome Party – team coordinators please make parents aware it is a family party and children are not to be dropped off. Becky motions for $500 to be used towards a family welcome party. Dawn seconded. All in favour. Carried. The theme will be ‘Wear your favourite Jersey’. It will be in the works for October 8 or October 15.
* Jeff motions for Shelley to be reimbursed for the purchases that were made for candy for the parade for the harvest fair. James seconded. All in favour. Carried.
1. **MIDGET** – No coordinator
* No report.
1. **BANTAM** – Don McLachlan
* All bantam parents were emailed or spoken to with plans for no team. They were given where to find the players movement forma and to get it to Roger to sign. Don hasn’t heard anything from anyone in 3 weeks so all should be fine.
* Don will be stepping down from the board effective immediately. Thanks and good luck to you all on behalf of Don.
1. **PEE WEE** – Shelley Dreger
* Nothing to report.
1. **ATOM** – Christina Martens
* Christina has been in contact with the Oil kings over the summer and they would like to send a representative to our next board meeting. They are running things a bit differently this year and are focusing on having entire association participation in games, rather than individual teams. They will try and make it to our next board meeting.
1. **NOVICE** – Cindy McGrath
* No report.
1. **INITIATION** – No coordinator yet.
* No report.
1. **OLD BUSINESS**
2. Bylaws: Roger and Cynthia are continuing to work on them.
3. Part of the policy and procedures states that all board members must have an RCMP check completed and handed into the board for September. Outstanding are: Roger, Melissa, Lisa, Jose, Lindsay, Dawn & Cindy.
4. **NEW BUSINESS:**
5. 2015/16 bingo credits for families not playing in Millet. For example, there is no Bantam team this year. Becky motion: MMHA will apply bingo credits for the families who are no longer able to play hockey in Millet to their new team to go towards their registration fees at said assiation. Second Shelley. All in favour. Carried.
6. Dawn motions non-members on the board be charged $1.00 membership fee for 2016-17. Sehelley seconded. All in favour. Carried.
7. **ADDITIONS TO AGENDA**:
8. 1660 meeting September 10 Fort Saskatchewan – James Rennie will attend on behalf of MMHA
9. We still need a governor for 1660 so please let Roger know if you have any suggestions.
10. Roger will be the league representative.
11. Zone 4 meeting September 11 – Becky will attend with Shelley.
12. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING:** Tuesday, September 27 @ 7pm

9. **ADJOURNMENT**: Roger adjourned meeting at around 10 or some such ridiculous time