
Meeting Minutes
Board of Management
March 13, 2018 @ HDTC-BIA Office 6pm

Attendance: Nancy L, Sgt. Jim Lynds, Paul S., Brock McG., Clair C., Jim C. and Connie B.

Jim Carrington called the meeting to order and reported regrets from our guests BJ Griffiths, and Cindy Smith as they were unable to attend.

Jim asked for a motion for the Approval of the Agenda.

The motion was made by Nancy and second by Paul. All in favour? Yes, motion approved.

A hard copy of the Police Report was reviewed by Sgt Jim Lynds. From this report we would like to note that there were 2 US\$20 counterfeit bills found in Chatham. Jim explained the DUI incidents and explained the “Last Drink Program” to the board. With this program, the police will notify AGCO that a business maybe overserving. There were 16 incidents that related to the abiding house. 4 were part of the compliance check which is a pro-active initiative that by nature will increase the numbers. There was also an increase on Wellington, all related to one address. Two people were responsible for 8 out of the 10 calls.

A motion was made to accept the police report, first by Clair and second by Nancy. All in favour? Yes, motion approved.

Jim asked if there were any business arising from the previous board meeting minutes? It was noted that the bench plaque from the previous meeting minutes was now installed on a bench.

A motion was made to accept the previous meeting minutes, first by Paul and second by Brock. All in favour? Yes, motion approved.

Jim asked if there were any declaration of conflict of interest? Seeing none, we continued onto the Board Reports.

Chairman: Jim C: Downtown In The City: Date is Thursday September 13, 2018 5pm-9pm. Cost to businesses participating within the BIA boundaries will be the same as last year (\$200). Kim and Terri would like approach the businesses to get people fired up and engaged. If unable, there is the possibility of making the event more confined to a smaller section.

Co-Chair: Paul S: 5th Street Bridge in on schedule to be completed June 2018. After the bridge, the remaining sidewalks will be done.

Secretary: Clair C: On Apr.3, there is a Networking Event at the Sons of Kent; CK Survey will put out on the Power of Young People if anyone was interested in reading; OBIAA newsletter is available; Disaster Assistance Information Program was completed by the Municipality. Note there is only 120 days to apply for assistance; John C information via email and different items. One noteworthy was making each community information available on a website. Brock: the webpage there currently is not user friendly and outdated. Bottom line is yes, it is a good idea but there are costs involved.

Connie-RetroFest: While we never like to have any negativity towards any of our events, 2018 it was inevitable.

As you are aware, we tried to make this year a more 'self-sufficient' year by adding a \$10 fee to the cars for the car show. Since then, we have removed the fee due to the added stress and complaints onto the KHAC car guys. We also had to change the car cruise route. Unfortunately, this is also upsetting car drivers but is the result of the 5th Street Bridge being closed and the burn-outs on the River Road (safety issue).

Artisan Market (started as a farmer's market and has been narrowed down to an artisan's market. The leads on the market is Morena (from Etsy and Dresden Night Market) and Mark from Body Language and ARTspace and myself representing the BIA. Date: Friday July 20, 2018 at the same time as the ARTcrawl. People will start at the Library, flow through downtown with different spots until they reach the Cultural Centre for the Market. Businesses will be encouraged to stay open later that day and participate if they wish. This endeavor was started with Glen Norton from Ec. Dev. CK. The event will stay smaller this year but they plan on continuing it and expanding it into a larger market.

Festivals and Events of Ontario **Conference:** Was enlightening. Cost for everyone and everything is going up everywhere not just here. I was able to see some new ideas for events

Treasurer: Financials reviewed by Paul. It is still early in the year.

MCK Representative: Brock, this is an election year and elections are in October. The next council meeting has been cancelled.

A motion was made to accept the Board Reports, first by Nancy and second by Brock. All in favour? Yes, motion approved.

Jim asked if there were any new business? Nancy is going to take care of CK Radio's request for interview and assist with CK Vision questions highlighting Chatham's BIA.

A motion was made to Adjourn this meeting, first by Clair and second by Paul. All in favour? Yes, meeting adjourned.

Next meeting: April 10, 2018 6pm at the BIA office

Signature of Chair:



Signature of Secretary:

