

BIA BOARD OF MANAGEMENT MEETING

Tuesday, December 15th, 2009
Township Office Boardroom
51 Toronto Street South
Start: 6:35 PM Finish: 8:15 PM

IN ATTENDANCE

Bev Leslie – Chair
Kerri Gallacher – facilitator

Board:
Scott Rutledge
Tobin Taylor
Jim Byers
Jim Williamson

Guests: Cheryl Hinzl, Susan Fumerton

Bev called the meeting to order at 6:35 PM.

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Motion to approve by Jim B, second by Tobin. All in favour.

November 27th meeting minutes.

Motion to approve made by Jim B. Tobin second. All in favour.

Disclosure of pecuniary interests.

The invoices were listed on the agenda as paid in interim.
Discussion to follow at next meeting re. Santa photo costs.
Approved by Jim B. Second by Scott. All in favour.

2. Shop Local

Positive comments have been received re. the distribution of the BIA Bucks this year in comparison to last year. Suggestions to better the program include, getting more information out about it during the year, possibly having a BIA column in the local newspapers each week, starting the overall program information to member businesses earlier in the year and putting more information on the actual buck itself re. how to redeem it etc.

All will be discussed at future meetings.

3. 2010 Budget

Bev asked for volunteers to form a subcommittee to work on the 2010 budget. Jim Byers and Jim Williamson volunteered.

The subcommittee will meet over the next couple of weeks and report back at the next meeting.

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4. BIA Business Directory

Bev would like to see a directory go out to all households listing BIA Member Businesses by service. Another option would be to feature businesses, approximately 10 – 15 per time, in a BIA News column.

More discussion and planning needed. Idea will be brought forward to a future meeting.

5. CTAB

Meeting was cancelled.

6. Website Overview

The website as it stands is not functional and is in need of an update.

Motion to give Kerri Gallacher the authority to speak with the Back2Front website providers and look at possible changes or to tender out to other providers.

Motion approved by Jim Byers. Second by Scott.

7. Email Board Communications

As the BIA Board only meets once a month it is very important that email conversations can take place between meetings. Bev urged all members to check their emails and respond to requests in a timely fashion.

Other Business

Uxbridge Skating Club

The skating club is holding their annual event January 23 & 24 at the Uxbridge Arena. The BIA has been asked if they would like to set up a table during the event.

BIA Councilor Representation

The proposal to have from 0 – 2 councilors on the BIA Board went to council and was approved.

Member Concerns

Cheryl Hinzl and Susan Fumerton were present at the meeting to discuss their concerns re. Brock Street east of Toronto Street. They felt that the lighting that was in place at that end of Brock Street paled in comparison to the lighting at the west side of Toronto Street.

Bev spoke to Ben Kester prior to any plans for lighting to find out what could be done to achieve a uniform look along the entire street. Bev was informed that

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power was not available and that extension cords were not allowed due to safety concerns. The lights for the entire street had already been ordered but due to the lack of power the BIA had to use what was previously available. Next year the power will be in place and at that time the same lighting scheme will be possible for the entire street and both sides of Toronto Street will look the same.

In Camera:

An application had been received from Lori McNair to join the BIA Board. Bev made a motion to accept Lori's application.

Motion approved by Jim B. Second by Jim W. All in favour.

Motion to adjourn by Jim B. Second by Tobin. All in favour.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, January 19th, 2010

Motion to adjourn. Approved by Scott. Second by Jim. All in favour.

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