

MINUTES

The Waterfront District BIA

BOARD OF MANAGEMENT MEETING

Tuesday, March 3, 2020

INVITED: Jim Comuzzi, Chair

Peter White, Vice-Chair Kory Morabito, Treasurer Maelyn Hurley, Director Brigitte Tremblay, Director Suzan Cooper-Rochon, Director

Thomas Trist, Director Jordan Calonego, Director Andrew Foulds, Councillor Kara Pratt, Recording Secretary

TENTATIVE:

REGRETS: Lora Northway, Director

Brian Hamilton, Councillor Lynn Gray, BIA Bookkeeper

GUEST: Lee-Ann Chevrette, Coordinator, Thunder Bay Crime Prevention Council

Paula Haapanen, Development Officer, Centre francophone

LOCATION/TIME: Thyme Fine Dining, March 3, 2020, 5:30pm

Item	Description	Action
1.0	Meeting Call to Order and Disclosures of Interest 5:29pm	
2.0	Approval of Agenda Motion: 2020-12 Moved by: M. Hurley Seconded by: S. Cooper-Rochon	Carried
3.0	Presentations • Lee-Ann Chevrette, Coordinator, Thunder Bay Crime Prevention Council • Community safety and well-being planning • Paula Haapanen, Development Officer, Centre francophone • Re: 2020 version of the FrancoFestival and deepening the relationship between the Festival and the Waterfront BIA.	
4.0	Approval of Minutes – February 4, 2019 – <i>sent electronically</i> Motion: 2020-13 Moved by: M. Hurley Seconded by: K. Morabito	Carried
5.0	Business Arising from Past Minutes	

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	Ask from S. Cooper Rochon regarding the movement of Sponsorship dollars to other budgets. – Answer – it is not set by the municipality, BIA constitution, or the OBIAA, it was voted in by a previous Board. Redirection of the monies would require the Board of Management	
6.0	Reports	
6.1	Chair's Report – Jim	
6.2	Finance Committee 1. Funding - Requests for Sponsorships a. Alzheimer Society of Thunder Bay	
	 i. Fundraising walk at Prince Arthur's landing ii. \$300 BIA Bucks – prizes Motion: 2020 -14 Approved Moved by: M. Hurley Seconded by: J. Calonego 	Carried
	b. Thunder Bay Nordic Trails i. March 7, 2020 Sleeping Giant Loppet ii. \$500 BIA Bucks – Event Packages Motion: 2020 – 15 Approved Moved by: S. Cooper- Rochon Seconded by: A. Foulds	Carried
	c. Lakehead Nurse Practitioner (NP) Clinic i. NP Association Annual Conference – 50 Participants ii. Delta hotel iii. \$500 BIA Bucks	
	d. Canadian Light House of Lake Superior i. May 1, 2020 Fundraising Event at the Prince Arthur Hotel	Follow-up
	ii. \$500 BIA Bucks Motion: 2020 – 16 Approved for \$250 BIA Bucks Moved by: M. Hurley Seconded by: B. Tremblay	Carried
	e. Raikon - Deferred i. \$2000 Cash towards the Prince Arthur Hotel costs	Follow-up
6.3	Infrastructure/Beautification Committee – Suzan 1. City administration would like the BIA's input on for Red River Road: a. Items that you would like to see included in one or more of the conceptual plans or pilot projects b. Specific concerns you have now with how the right of way functions and possible solutions if you have suggestions	

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	 c. Other concerns that changes in the functionality of the right of way may address, like loitering, litter, etc d. Timelines that you would like avoided/or suggest for pilot projects or public consultation Discussion regarding the geographic layout of Red River, the history as well as the times 'pilot' projects could occur. Additional discussions surrounded potential committees and research – all of this will occur once the project begins to move forward – RFP start mid-march. 	Discussion – info sent to CoTB
	2. Requesting money for watering hanging baskets The CoTB does not cover the cost of watering hanging baskets – they do cover the cost of watering the large planters. Currently the BIA is waiting to hear who has been awarded the CoTB contract for the planters to determine if the company can do both. Current quotes - based on 2 times per week at approximately \$250/watering	Information
	3. Refuse bins - Requesting money	Information/ Discussion/ Requires Follow-up
	Discussion surrounded where to source the refuse bins to ensure they are attractive and approved by the members as well as CoTB (who empties the bins). Deferred for more discussion of the design of the refuse bins and the locations – requests to purchase more privately was also brought forward. More information and research required.	
6.4	Governance Committee – Peter 1. TBD	
6.5	Marketing & Promotion Committee – Lora & Kory 1. Planning for 2020 a. Brochure is in design phase b. New photos of business exteriors are being completed Proof of the brochure to be brought to the next BIA Meeting.	Information
6.6	Membership Services Committee – To Be Filled	
6.7	Special Events Committee – Maelyn & Lora 1. Summer Event	
6.8	Safety & Security – Peter	

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	Crime in the BIA – update from council?	
	 Six COR (Community Oriented Response) police will take on the BIA as a "project" 	
	There is no extra funding federally or provincially for the Thunder Bay	
	Thunder Bay has budgetary constraints	
	PW – we need to keep at the provincial and federal governments	
	and remind them money needs to be directed outside of the GTA	
	 and Ottawa and to other areas now being affected KM – the COR police are being active and asking for significant 	
	events to ensure they are able to be present.	
	 AF – the BIA needs to have input into the Provincial safety plan 	
	requests from municipalities.	
	Discussion for security cameras and installation costs be partially	
	covered by the BIA. The question came up of whether it would be an	
	offer to landlords or business owners and to assist with offsetting costs the camera must be registered online in a database of accessible	
	cameras for assistance with investigating. A walkabout identified areas	
	where there are cameras/surveillance are missing in the BIA – they	
	would most likely take priority.	
	Minister of Municipal Affairs & Housing is waiting on a letter requesting	
	assistance for Thunder Bay a. Letter was provided for review	
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6.9	Parking Authority Board Update – Kara	
	Parkades are not being sold	
	City considering pay stations vs. replacing meters	
6.10	Administration	
	Board Meeting Schedule	
	• 2020	
	o April 7, 2020	
	o May 5, 2020	
	o June 2, 2020	
	 July 7, 2020 August 11, 2020 (Aug 4, is the day after a holiday) 	
	September 1, 2020?	
	o October 6, 2020	
	o October	
	o November 10, 2020	
	December 1, 2020 Outdelines to be greated for:	
	2. Guidelines to be created for:	
	a. Committee Meetings & Reports at Board Meetings	

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8.0	Correspondence – n/a	
9.0	New Business	
	OBIAA Conference – Decision on who to Attend for 2020	
	Start Planning for a new Strategic Plan	
	 Involve stakeholders 	
	Review Budgets –	
	 Plan for 2021 – Do we need to ask for additional money 	
10.0	Next Meeting – April 7, 2020	
	Adjournment: 7:28pm	