



WATERFRONT DISTRICT

MINUTES

The Waterfront District BIA

BOARD OF MANAGEMENT MEETING

Tuesday, March 1, 2022

INVITED:

- Jim Comuzzi, Chair
- Peter White, Vice-Chair
- Jordan Calonego, Treasurer
- John Murray, Director
- Thomas Trist, Director
- Kory Morabito, Director
- Phil Walkden, Director
- Maelyn Hurley, Director
- Andrew Foulds, Councillor
- Brian Hamilton, Councillor
- Kara Pratt, Recording Secretary

TENTATIVE:

REGRETS:

- Lora Northway, Director
- Lynn Gray, BIA Bookkeeper

GUEST:

- Kym Amonson, Skyline Falconry
- Warren Philp, Team-Lead Waterfront Trail Rotary Community Action Team

LOCATION/TIME: 5:30pm on ZOOM
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2781002430?pwd=K2RPSnFqWVdKNityRIB2bTlldnpWZz09>

Meeting ID: 278 100 2430
 Passcode: WDBIA

Item	Description	Action
1.0	Meeting Call to Order and Disclosures of Interest	
2.0	Approval of Agenda Motion: 2022-09 Moved by: J. Murray Seconded by: M. Hurley	Carried
3.0	Presentations 1. Kym Amonson, Skyline Falconry	

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	<p><i>Advise against skipping a year due to the proximity of the waterfront. It would mean gulls move to where they have been previously removed. Each gull rears up to 3 chicks which would bring up the population quickly.</i></p> <p><i>Costs broken down:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Number of hours hazing</i> • <i>Entering the buildings</i> • <i>Disinfecting</i> • <i>Rental of equipment</i> • <i>Reach and cover of each locations</i> <p><i>Maintenance stage would only be reached if we added more rooftops and that has always been based on the willingness of the owner of the building to let skyline falconry on the rooftop.</i></p> <p><i>Since 2015 there has been a reduction of 729 nests and 1100+ eggs.</i></p> <p><i>Continuing will lessen the number of seagulls. We have to remember that the seagulls live 20+ years and they have lived in this area for that long (return to nest in the same spot).</i></p> <p>Follow up questions/comments –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Should the CoTB be taking on the cost? Can be discussed. • Any way to eradicate all of the birds? No, not unless all of the buildings are covered and the area wasn't as close to the waterfront. • Have there been problems getting on to rooftops? Yes, some businesses have refused to let Skyline access the rooftops. Some have become unsafe to access. • When is this due? Two weeks from now. <p>2. Warren Philp, Team-Lead Waterfront Trail Rotary Community Action Team & Frank Wilson, Waterfront Trail Rotary Community Action Team</p> <p>Presentation on the waterfront trail (PowerPoint presentation available upon request) and requested a letter of support. Board agreed to submit a letter of support.</p> <p>Follow up questions/comments –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Will the wayfinding signage continue along the trail? This is a question for City Administration. • Is it comparable to the proposed trails from Fisherman's Park to the Jackknife Bridge? Working with the CoTB to expand through a couple of iterations. Will hopefully see more after talking with CoTB Engineering and Parks & Open Spaces administration. • Keep up to date by joining the Facebook group. 	
4.0	<p>Approval of Minutes – February 1, 2022– <i>sent electronically</i></p> <p>Motion: 2022-10 Moved by: J. Calonego Seconded by: J. Murray</p>	Carried

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5.0	Business Arising from Past Minutes	
6.0	Reports	
6.1	<p>Chair's Report – Jim</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Chair's Update 2. OBIAA Conference - Delegates <p><i>Discussion about the merits of attending the OBIAA conference – who and how many should attend based on the positive outcomes. Professional development is important and this is where BIAs are able to gain knowledge and perspective. Sharing the positives and pain points of other BIAs is helpful.</i></p> <p><i>Increase the budget from \$2500 to \$4000 and take out the cap of attendees.</i></p> <p>Motion: 2022-11 Moved by: J. Calonego Seconded by: T. Trist</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. OBIAA Board Nomination – K. Pratt <p><i>The Board believes this a good opportunity to share a Northern Ontario perspective and to learn more about all of Ontario and the BIAs.</i></p> <p>Motion: 2022-12 Moved by: A. Foulds Seconded by: P. White</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4. 2022 Seagull Contract <p><i>Support seagull program at the same rate as 2021 – maintain budget and negotiate the rooftop locations.</i></p> <p>Motion: 2022-13 Moved by: P. White Seconded by: T. Trist</p>	<p>Carried</p> <p>Carried</p> <p>Carried</p>
6.2	<p>Finance Committee - Jordan</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Financials – January 2022 financials 2. Funding - Requests for Sponsorships <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. IGNITE – Lakehead University Research & Innovation Week <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$300 BIA Bucks given to the daily winners, and would be advertised as the prize in order to promote local products and services. • Featuring the WD BIA IGNITE promo material, the LU Research & Innovation webpage, the LU Research & Innovation Facebook page, the Pheedloop event platform website and on the credits page of the IGNITE videos. 	<p>Information</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Board Meeting Schedule – First Tuesday of the Month <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ April 5, 2022 ○ May 3, 2022 ○ June 7, 2022 ○ July 5 or 12, 2022 – Delay 1 week? Holiday weekend ○ August 2 or 9, 2022 – Delay 1 week? Holiday weekend ○ September 6 or 13, 2022 Delay 1 week? Holiday weekend ○ October 4, 2022 ○ November 1, 2022 ○ December 6, 2022 	
7.0	Correspondence – n/a	
8.0	<p>New Business</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <i>KIA Ora Cannabis on accepting BIA Bucks. They would like to be part of the program. Discussion ensued about having a Cannabis store on BIA Bucks and allowing people to purchase Cannabis products with sponsored dollars. Requested one of the KIA Ora owners present at the next BIA meeting to discuss and educate.</i> 2. <i>Legion partnership with the BIA – will require additional information.</i> 	<p>Discussion</p> <p>Information</p>
9.0	<p>Next Meeting – April 5, 2022 Adjournment – 7:48pm</p> <p>Motion: 2022-15 Moved by: J. Calonego</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Seconded by: M. Hurley</p>	<p>Carried</p>