

Aldershot Village BIA Board Meeting - Zoom Call due to COVID-19 Restrictions

Thursday January 14th, 2021 - 7:30am

Present:

Kiara Galbreath
Sonia Pagliuso
Kelvin Galbraith
Tara Thorpe
Maria Thornton
Ashley Rebelo
Miriam Mulkewich
Robert Catherall
Dr. Karen Lee

Staff:

Judy Worsley
Andrea Dodd

Regrets: Dr Patrick Pedlar

Absent: Viera Kononenkova, Michael Janecek

Guests: None.

1. Approval of Minutes / Agenda December 2020.

Motion to approve Minutes: Miriam Mulkewich
Second: Dr. Lee
Approved.

Approval to approve Agenda:

Motion: Kelvin Galbraith
Second: Kiara Galbreath
Approved.

2. Declarations of Conflict of Interest - None.

3. Chair Remarks — Sonia Pagliuso

- Have started working on an internal calendar for our sub committee meetings and will share it soon.
- Our business community is looking to us again for our support and I am grateful and proud of our board and to be a part of this in the last year.

4. Councillor Kelvin Galbraith - City of Burlington

- Capital budget is being worked on.

- Plains Road renewal from Waterdown to the RBG is a road resurface, curbs, sidewalks and bike lanes.
- Fought for this and we were successful so this will go ahead and start this spring.
- Hidden Valley Park will get upgrades to the infrastructure this year so that we can hold events there.
- Equipment upgrades will happen also. Good news!
- South Service Road - connection between King & Waterdown - hopefully construction starting in 2023.
- We are getting an Outdoor Ice Rink in Aldershot! Sponsored by the McNally Family. This will go in Hidden Valley Park and is being installed today. It has a 10 year life span and we hope to use it for many events in the future.
- Conversation regarding new rules and what to expect from essential services and curb side pick up. Judy will provide information on this issue from the OBIAA.

5. Robert Catherall - City Hall BIA Special Coordinator

- Motion going forward today on temporary tents on patios.
- Staff is being directed to work on removing zoning regulations that would prevent tents.
- This is a combination of zoning and the Ontario building code. Motion going forward to committee. They will be valid until Oct 31 2021.
- Discussions about the Plains Road design and beautification are being had.
- Cycling infrastructure is asking for the ABIA to help promote the project and do advocacy work, bringing new people to businesses for the first time. We will think about how the business community can be involved.
- There is an opportunity for input from the ABIA on beautification and Robert will include us in this.
- He will liaise between the ABIA and the capital works team.
- Having a robust idea of what we are asking for will be very helpful.

6. Vice Chair Report - Miriam Mulkewich

- Committees!
- Getting organized to streamline the committees and the document is in slack.
- We want to ensure we have an even split and made some assumptions so please have a look and make sure it aligns with what you are interested in and where your skill set lies.
- JW - Some committees will have to take priority over others. We can have people from outside the board on these committees and we should reach out.
- It will go in our newsletter and in the Post to attract new committee members. It is a great way to attract new board members also.

7. Treasurers Report - Maria Thornton

- Continuing to work with TD bank. How we have it set up takes away many of the online capabilities.
- Trying to get these changed and alter some of our banking protocols so things are more efficient.
- Sage is working and we do still need to get our cheque printing completed. This will be done in January.
- 2020 financials will be completed also as we get ready for the AGM. We need to finalize the date for this for we can get the info prepared and ready to share appropriately with our membership.

- SP - It has to be online this year and we are talking about how to hold this and what it would involve.
- The date would be March 11, 2021 for a simple AGM.
- JW - a guest speaker would be nice and she will work on who this person will be. Andrea will do a save the date out to our membership.

8. Executive Director Report - Judy Worsley

- OBIAA announcement is not the announcement channel in Slack. Please read.
- JW will get more information and clarification this afternoon and will send out to Board.
- OBIAA conference will be online this year in April. The format will be once a week for a month so this allows all of us to attend. She will send you the information on this conference.
- Hopefully an in person conference in September.
- Working on expansion committee and how this will roll out. She is pulling together names for this so please let her know if you have any.

9. Special Events Report - Judy Worsley

- Kiara has taken the lead on how we can help out members at this time
- We are doing a reach out by phone to our membership to let them know we are here for them and find out how they can help. Can the board help with this calling?
- We can get information to update our directory at this time also.
- JW has been approached by a student from Dawson College and is having conversations about an intern position to complete some tasks. She will continue to try to get a hold of him again.
- Looking for community recreation leadership and training. We would like to get him on board. Judy will go ahead with this and have the student assist with the calling along with other tasks she will deem necessary.
- MT - Caution whether student should make these calls as they don't have the understanding of the ABIA that we do.
- JW - Jackie, Judy and any other Board members will do the calling along with the student who will be supervised carefully.
- Judy will go forward with this.
- Jackie will not attend the board meetings anymore. She will send in her reports instead to be discussed at this meeting.
- Fantastic job was done by Andrea and Jackie on this event and the cost was low with participation high.
- Tree lighting costs discussed.
- Covid 2.0 kits are ordered and will go out as soon as our order arrives. We may need to order more bags and create another bag logo program.
- Banners - Maplehurst School - Looking at 2 more banners here. Cost is \$2000.
- **Motion:** To go ahead with banner spend at Maplehurst school: Sonia Pagliuso Second: Kiara Galbreath. Approved.
- Mayors State of the Union is February 1st. Judy will send you information about this to the Board so that you can attend.

Thank you.

Next Meeting Date - February 11th, 2021 - 7:30am.

Adjourned.