

ABIA Board Meeting Minutes - January 13th, 2022

Attending:

Kiara Galbraith
Miriam Mulkewich
Sonia Pagliuso
Karen Lee
Jessica Wilding
Samantha Romlewski
Kelvin Galbraith

Absent:

Regrets:

Maria Thornton
Jelena Milivojevic Balogh

Staff:

Andrea Dodd
Judy Worsley
Tiffany Budler

Guests:

Approval of Agenda

Miriam Mulkewich
Kelvin Galbraith

Approval of Nov 2021 Minutes

Approval of Dec 2021 Minutes

** These will be approved by email through Judy & the board.

Conflicts of Interest: **None.**

Sonia Pagliuso: Chair Report

Maria is requesting an agreement from the Board to set the AGM for April 7th.
Discussion about in person or virtual AGM. Agreed that a virtual event will take place.
Thursday, March 31st is the date agreed upon. Judy is looking for a guest speaker and will also talk about the expansion project.

Treasurer Report: Maria Thornton

- Check Slack for Updates.

Kelvin Galbraith: Ward One Councillor

- Jan 27th Plains Road resurfacing meeting 6:30, covering Waterdown Road to the RBG and off road bike lanes. This work will start this Spring and is a multi year project.
- Pre application meeting for Downsview Plaza's is Jan 31st 7:00pm. 2 Ten story buildings are planned. We have yet to see the concepts. Full commercial on the bottom of both of them.

- Statutory meeting for 284 292 Plains Road Feb 1st at 6:30 - Larger houses across from District Kitchen. This is a 6 story proposal. There is not a commercial component to this.
- 29 story building on Waterdown Road. Infinity development official application is complete and controversial.
- 40 to 70 Plains Road - Appealed this decision for application. Proposing a 9 story building and this is in the MTSA.
- King Paving public meeting January 20th 1pm, moving to the North Service Road just west of Mercedes. Good news for the MTSA as it removes heavy industry from the Aldershot MTSA. This frees up 25 acres for sale to a potential developer.
- Solid Gold site is looking for height and bouncing some ideas around, they are active right now which is encouraging. They are committed to full retail on the bottom.

Samantha Romlewski: Special Business Area Coordinator

- Mid rise design guides are in place at the city to create more definition and the planning department will be looking at them.
- *Slide presentation on MTSA Update and Housing strategy.* The next stage of policy development will be the next steps.
- The next stages of work can now move forward while making sure they are looking at neighbourhoods just outside of the boundaries.
- Higher density areas will ensure there are jobs, service and retail along with employment uses.
- *Housing Strategy Update Slide* - In Slack.
- **Get involved Links** are there which you can subscribe to to keep updated.

Executive Director Report - Judy Worsley

- Executive Summary is on Slack #boardagendareports
- My Main Street with Ec Dev is assigned a business ambassador to Aldershot starting January 31st.
- Job description is posted on Slack and Andrew is in discussions with Judy on how this will work.
- She will steer this ambassador to the expansion areas not our membership. Judy will be pulling Sam in on this also to work with her.
- Expansion Committee info session attendance was low. 2 members attended.
- Good discussion took place. Judy created a powerpoint which she has posted on Slack also.
- The rollout of this should wait until November as we are in an election year. We will present our letter of intent in November.
- Sam will continue to work on the communication plan with Judy for the reach out strategy so that when the notice goes out we will get the votes we need.
- Many development meetings to attend this month.

Adjourned: 8:45

Next Meeting: February 10th, 2022 by zoom.