

ELMVALE BIA MINUTES of the October 21st, 2021 - 5:30PM Video Conference Call

Present:

Jay Schell, President
Kimberley Ashworth, Director/Secretary
Sue Gilson, Director/Treasurer
Brenda Stanley, Director
Brianna Belcourt, Township Liaison
George Cabral, Councillor

Also Present:

Jennifer Marshall, Deptuy Clerk Township of Springwater Terry Cleaver, Waterbed Gallery

Regrets:

Ashley Bates, Director
Kathrin Veenstra, Marketing Specialist
Tim Ashworth, Director
Melissa Small, Director
Todd Hutchinson, Director
Jodie Delgado, Elmvale Library

1. CALL TO ORDER

1.1. Call to order and welcome to guests 5:36 P.M.

RECOMMENDATION BIA-23-2016

Moved by: Jay Schell Seconded by: Sue Gilson

THAT this general Meeting of the Elmvale Business Improvement Area Board of Directors and members come to order at 5:36 PM October 21st, 2021

CARRIED.

2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

RECOMMENDATION-BIA-22-2016

Moved by: Kimberley Ashworth

Seconded by: Sue Schell

THAT the minutes of September 16th, 2021 are approved as revised.

CARRIED.

3. <u>BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES</u>

Jennifer Marshall presents the outline of the newly revised By-Law, now called our Consititution.

After presentation, George raises concerns surrounding the term "conflict of interest" and feels that it should be outlined what constitutes a conflict of interest.

Kimberley requests a review of the policies surrounding the BIA's ability to disperse cash as need. Some suggestions are a petty cash box or a corporate credit card.

4. <u>DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTERES</u>

NA

5. <u>DISCUSSION/COMMITTEES</u>

5.1 Radio Ads for Holiday Season

Radio Ad Initiative discussion for 2021 in order to move things quickly as all media outlets are indicating that supply of goods will be affected due to supply chain issues. Kathrin to do email campaign for local participants.

Proposal: a motion for a \$3000.00/\$3000.00 (\$6K total) radio campaign, \$3390.00 provided by the BIA (incl tax) for the fall/winter matched to local businesses. Capped at \$4K. 8 weeks, 24 radio spots.

Moved by: Brenda Stanley

Seconded by: Kimberley Ashworth

CARRIED

5.2 Snow Man Contest

With over 200 entries in 2020 it is decided to continue on with the snowman making contest as a repeat of last year. The one exception will be that the contest will be run on the BIA website, and voting will take place on the website. \$1000.00 for the prizing, snowman kits, plug in and social media ads.

Moved by: Brenda Stanely

Seconded by: Kimberley Ashworth

CARRIED

5.3 AGM

The BIA will conduct it's AGM the same evening as the next BIA meeting, November 18th, 2021 at 5:30PM via Zoom. Jay will provide overview, Sue will provide update of the budget, Brenda will provide metrics for the marketing of the BIA, and Kimberley and Melissa to present with respect to the Sci Fi Festifal.

Jennifer Marshall will be requested as the guest speaker and speak to the final on the By-Laws/Constitution of the BIA.

Kimberley to invite the Mayor.

6. <u>Updates from Council</u>

Brianna indicates that the Remembrance Day Banners are in print, and should be going up towards the end of October. 25 names, and many town home.

Additionally, the Simcoe County Job Fair will be virtually held again November 9th from 10am-2pm. There will be private break out rooms.

October 29-Novermber 7, 2021 is the inaugural Garlic week, on general awareness of the benefits of garlic, highlighting local growers.

It is also time to review the Budget. The BIA will be expected to present the budge to council, and if there are any changes to it, we need to document and send those at our earliest convenience.

George indicates there is a proposal of a new subdivision of Townhomes being built behind the Tim Horton's, and a proposed new apartment complex, albeit small, going next to the schoolhouse on Yonge Street.

7. <u>NEW BUSINESS</u>

Tammy from the Tiny Art Shack approached Kathrin with respect to a "Night Market" for 2022 in the summer. The BIA is interested in this idea but would need Tammy's resourcefulness and expertise to get it off the ground. Kathrin to follow up.

Open Discussion/Question Period

The following was read out by Kimberley, on Jodie's behalf in her absence, per the email submitted dated October 20th, 2021:

- We have been promoting Dyslexia Awareness all month. Our decodable books are available, we participated in the first ever flag raising in Canada at the Township Administration Centre, and we lit the Elmvale Branch red this week. Our Dyslexia Awareness panel with our students is tonight (Thursday) at 7:00 pm.
- Georgian Bay Reads is Saturday, October 23 and will be broadcast live on the event website, www.georgianbayreads.ca
- Our annual silent auction starts November 1 and runs the entire month. Several
 auction items will be available at the Elmvale branch and the majority are at the
 Midhurst branch. The auction is online at BiddingOwl. We have lots of amazing
 items and are still accepting donations.
- Our regular programs are ongoing: Simcoe Author Talks, Creative Seniors, Krafting with Kathy, Storytime, Lego Creations and more
- The Springwater Firefighters Association will be selling greenery at the Midhurst Branch several days in November.
- If there is a Remembrance Day ceremony, the Elmvale Branch will open following the ceremony.

8.

ADJOURNMENT

RECOMMENDATION-BIA-25-2016

Moved by: Brenda Stanley Seconded by: Jay Schell

THAT this meeting of the Elmvale Business Improvement Area Board of Directors and members adjourn at 7:03 pm to meet next at the AGM, November 18th, 2021 at 5:30 pm, by Video Conference call.

Jay Schell, Chair

Kimberley Ashworth, Secretary