

**Stoney Creek BIA  
Meeting Minutes**

**Date & Time:** Wednesday, May 17, 2023 @ 6:30pm

**Location:** via ZOOM and at the Canadian National Autism Foundation 39A King Street East

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**Meeting ID:** 857 4295 5797

**Passcode:** inthecreek

**Directors Present:** Sean Kosak (Hudson Integrative Health), Sandy Pavao (Cake Empire), Paolo Rispoli (Comic 1 Books), Mary Terziev-Clifford (The Village), Tina Fougere (CNAF), Susanne Glinka (The Lucky Gem), Natasha Guidi (Trinity Natural Health), Councillor Matt Francis (City of Hamilton),

Executive Director: Tracy MacKinnon (recording)

**Guests:** Peter (RC Legion #622)

**Regrets:** Daniel Trombetta (Titan Mortgage), Matthew Trombetta (Simnat Consulting),

1. **Call to order. 632pm Sean**
2. **Approval of Agenda.**  
*Motion to approve agenda. Moved by Tina, seconded by Matt. Carried.*
3. **Declarations of Interest.** None.
4. **Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting.**  
*Motion to approve minutes of April 19, 2023. Moved by Tina, seconded by Matt. Carried.*
5. **Delegations** None.
6. **Consent items** None.
7. **Presentations** None.
8. **Discussion Items:** None.
  - A: **Paid Parking:**
    - No updates. Agreement for no paid parking.
    - Councillor Francis. Not paid parking. Only lot behind Legion – many concerns from residents changing from 2hours – 3hours. Councillor approached Legion president they OK.  
*Motion to approve increasing the allowable duration of parking in the City lot behind the Legion to three hours. Moved by Tina, seconded by Susanne. Carried.*  
Thank you Councillor Francis. Councillor Francis will take to staff and expedite.
  - B: **City of Hamilton: Councillor Matt Francis**
    - Thank you Councillor Francis for your continued support.
    - Update Britannia Cleaners site – demolition permit granted to developer for 13 & 15 upstairs (residential). No changes to drawings submitted.
    - Update on the KSE/Second Street condo
    - Update RL Heslop school site by the city – contract will finalize date on demolition. Will go through community consultation process. Reimaging site
    - Update on the Stoney Creek Arena - future options continue to be explored.
    - Electrical funding for street poles. Electrician waiting for some parts pricing/availability before being sent to Councillor Francis.

- Re-Enactment of the Battle of Stoney Creek 1813: June 3-4, 2023. Coming up, everything in motion, can't get King Centennial site for parking – small parcel of land 18-20 stories. \$10 000 to clean a handful of spots for one year. Other parking is available. Request from Battlefield staff to move huts. We can't do it now. Lots of room there to fit all needed for event. Councillor Francis to let them know ok to stay.
- Having a May 19<sup>th</sup> ceremony at Legion with Re-enactors.
- Tried to move a motion for Santa Claus parade for all 4 parades. Didn't get enough funding so City will try to find funding for the parades.

#### **C: Financial Update (Paolo, Daniel, Tracy):**

- April 30, 2023 - Account balance \$46881.90
- Attached are March and April financial statements. March was not available last month because bank statement was late.
- A few accruals to be added (some revenue and payables)
- Revenues to come: ~\$6000 banners and installation, \$2000 Christmas lights sponsor, ~\$10000 HST, \$4520 reimbursement for consultant.
- Grant confirmed \$24000 – 3 summer students
- Grant funds increased farmers market, and Saturday events SITC
- Accounting: Paolo and Tracy working with accounting system and get 2022 audit started. All 2021 audit info submitted.
- Paolo to continue to do statements/financials. Daniel will work on funding with Tracy
- Daniel to be added soon as additional signing authority (to replace Richard)
- *Motion to approve/receive financial update. Moved by Councillor Francis, seconded by Tina. Carried.*

#### **D. Safety and Security:**

- Police patrols – increased in BIA area since 2020 pandemic
- Battlefield Park – no known issues.
- Crime update – some residential burglaries outside of BIA.
- In the berry area, bow valley housing has had some residential burglaries.

#### **E. Business updates:**

- 40 King Street East - Titan Mortgage offices open
- 38 King Street East – Italian restaurant opening soon
- 34 King Street East - space for lease at medical office (they moved upstairs)
- 2 King St E - coffee shop and cocktail lounge coming soon
- 47 King Street East – Ice Cream Shop coming soon
- 53 King Street East – kitchen store moved out and Beauty Stop Inc has just opened
- 66 King Street East - Trinity Natural Health relocated
- 70 King Street East – space for lease Purrfect Paws location
- Powerhouse building for sale
- 6 King Street East – for lease (former Tim Horton's space)
- Digital Main Street Grants available – shared with BIA, DMS on site yesterday
- Tracy to look at social media

#### **F. Streetscape:**

- Summer students have started

- Frost expected tonight – should be last of season then will plant summer in planters. Some grasses needed
- Garden clean up yesterday – mulch and a few grasses and hydrangea needed. Tulips looking good (Legion and other)
- A couple of trees are dead – request with City to replace.
- City has cleaned up their gardens of weeds this week – thank you
- Extra banners and arms to come – covered under gateway signage, waiting for items
- Electrical outlets in gardens beside Legion. Confirming install, Legion ok.
- Street poles electrical work – hoping to get done in soon – parts, labour and timing issues for electrician
- Two huts at Legion west side for market equipment, lights, some décor – doing ok
- Battlefield has requested us to move the sheds for weekend, but not possible. Discussing options.
- Extra planters to hug around poles – coming soon, taking time

### **G. Strategy:**

- Recap from Family Fun Day April 29<sup>th</sup> and other event discussion items:
  - Tina would like to talk about the positive comments on the Family Fun Day BIA and Canadian National Autism Foundation Partnership that we worked on and the heart puzzle Toonie for Autism. Tiger Cats quite impressed despite the weather. Would like to do again. ~ 14 would come again and for other events. They were impressed and liked what was going on
  - How might the BIA figure out how to get help for the Legion to do the BBQing for our events out front. Paul checking in with gas line for Legion. Chef students to volunteers at the Legion. Guy came to farmers’ market
  - What the BIA Board thinks about doing another autism event and having Ticat Alumni show up from the upcoming Strawberry, Apple and Pumpkin events? Puzzle hearts have gone over so huge, a lot of businesses want to keep the heart and puzzle piece. BIA working on a strawberry with red puzzle piece for Strawberry Fest. It has drawn in customers. Most businesses have kept the jars and hearts. Cake Empire made puzzle piece cookies for April 29<sup>th</sup> that sold out. CNAF raised so far ~\$678.00 - more than triple from 2022.
  - BIA Board thoughts of doing another Family Fun Day Partnership with our Canadian National Autism Foundation. Tiger cats asked if doing again. General agreement to continue working together and keep events separate with BIA with April event to return in 2024. Lots of people from not from around here, new people here. Any type of festival to bring people is good. A lot of free items came in because of CNAF connection.
- Boots in the Creek – Daniel at fundraising meeting tonight, application submitted for tourism grant – difficult to get, lots of applications, so will see what happens. Daniel working hard to move this forward to make it happen regardless of grant funding. Artisans, live music, Legion to be involved, and more. Daniel working hard on sponsorship.
- Suggestion for students from culinary school to help the Legion, smell of food should be good and good to get help from the school – once a year
- “festival light” continuous events 2023 schedule of events
  - June 15 – October 5 Market in the Creek – Thursdays 4-7pm
  - June 17 – Strawberry Fest
  - July 21, September 15 - Jazz in the Creek – motorcycles & cars, evening

- August 18 & 19 – Boots in the Creek
- September 16 - Applefest
- October 14 - PumpkinFest
- November 4 - Hamilton Day
- December 1 – Stoney Creek Sparkles
- December 2 – Stoney Creek Santa Claus Parade
- Kringle in the Creek –December 1,2, 8, 15, 22 FRI 4-8pm + SAT 12-4pm
- Food truck Monday event
- Marketing - signage, postcards, brochure
  - Tourism – Room Key Program, linked with Hamilton hotels
  - Focus on “local tourism”, promotions, shop local, eat local, support local
  - Sign at Battlefield Park for events
  - Postcards for events and market, some home delivery – going out early June
  - Social media giveaways April & May to start + students to work on social media, reels, posts, etc. Coming soon theme of Arkells “All Roads Lead To...”
  - Print 4 up poster 8.5x11
  - Print cardstock 4up.
- Streetscape – make downtown look beautiful with seasonal themes, lighting, colour, gardens, planting – clean & green and outdoor fresh
- Suggestion to expand boundaries asking City to pay for planter purchases
  - looking at moving process forward 2023, discussions have started
  - general agreement from multi-property landlord in that area

#### **H. Community:**

- CNAF window decals for autism support – Strawberry, Apple, Pumpkin to come. Family Fun Day – did well, great support from businesses and community
- RC Legion – discussions of partnerships and more connections with events, new.
- Streetscape – joy with streetscape
- Battlefield Re-enactment community BBQ at Legion May 19<sup>th</sup> @ 5pm with battle re-enactors coming ~ 20 at 6pm
- Re-enactors. Happy to come at any event

*Motion to receive items above. Motion to receive Tina, seconded by Sandy. Carried.*

#### **I. Notice of Motions** None.

#### **J. Motions** None.

#### **K. General Information/Other Business**

- BIA meetings are open to the public.
- Peter resigned from the Legion finishing up on May 31<sup>st</sup>. Congratulations and thank you for all of your work, after 10 years at the Legion. Peter will no longer be the contact/liaison.
- Agreement that Peter is always welcome to volunteer with the BIA on events - a long term and dedicated member of the Stoney Creek community. Thank you Peter.
- Request to have the posters in windows. Version emailed out - customers like seeing. Some businesses have printed version emailed out, printed copies to be distributed. Strawberry coming.

#### **L. Adjournment.**

- Next Meeting Wednesday, June 21 at 6:30pm. Hybrid @ Titan and zoom
- BIA meetings held the 3<sup>rd</sup> WED of the month at 630pm
- *Motion to adjourn. Moved by Tina. Carried.* Meeting adjourned at 811pm.