

Stoney Creek BIA Meeting Minutes

Date & Time: Wednesday, June 21, 2023 @ 6:30pm

Location: via ZOOM and at the Canadian National Autism Foundation 39A King Street East **Join Zoom Meeting**
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Meeting ID: 873 4450 5345

Passcode: inthecreek

Directors Present: Sean Kosak (Hudson Integrative Health), Sandy Pavao (Cake Empire), Paolo Rispoli (Comic 1 Books), Mary Terziev-Clifford (The Village), Matthew Trombetta (Simnat Consulting), Tina Fougere (CNAF), Daniel Trombetta (Titan Mortgage) Susanne Glinka (The Lucky Gem),
Executive Director: Tracy MacKinnon (recording)

Guests: Kyle (Stoney Creek Physio)

Regrets: Natasha Guidi (Trinity Natural Health), Councillor Matt Francis (City of Hamilton)

1. **Call to order.** Meeting called to order at 6:40pm with Tracy as Chair. (Requested by Sean/Sandy)

2. **Approval of Agenda.**

Motion to approve the agenda. Moved by Dan, seconded by Tina. Carried.

3. **Declarations of Interest** None

4. **Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting.**

Motion to approve the minutes of May 17, 2023. Moved by Dan, seconded by Tina. Carried.

5. **Delegations** None

6. **Consent items** None

7. **Presentations** None

8. **Discussion Items:**

A: Paid Parking:

- No updates. Agreement for no paid parking.
- 3 hour parking behind Legion proceeding - thank you Councillor Francis

B: City of Hamilton: Councillor Matt Francis (regrets)

- Thank you Councillor Francis for your continued support.
- Update Britannia Cleaners site - have demotion permit for part
- Update on the KSE/Second Street condo
- Update RL Heslop school site by the city
- Update on the Stoney Creek Arena - future options continue to be explored.
- Update Powerhouse flood plain - no update/changes
- Electrical funding for street poles. Electrician waiting for some parts pricing/availability before being sent to Councillor Francis. Taking more time
- Re-Enactment of the Battle of Stoney Creek 1813: June 3-4, 2023, good attendance and weather, good exposure for Stoney Creek. Thank you Councillor Francis for your part in bring it back
- no issues noted with City services

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

- May 31, 2023 - Account balance \$42164.32
- Attached are May financial statements.
- A few accruals to be added (some revenue and payables)
- June had 2nd half of levy deposited \$36220.00
- Contribution to Operating Grant: \$10,959.81 (2020 amount \$8046.70)
Motion to allocate Contribution to Operating grant funds for streetscape expenses approve the minutes of May 17, 2023. Moved by Dan, seconded by Tina. Carried.
- Paolo completed HST returns, working on CRA changeover updated

- Revenues to come: ~\$6000 banners and installation, \$2000 Christmas lights sponsor, ~\$10000 HST, \$4520 reimbursement for consultant.
- Grant confirmed ~\$24000 – 3 summer students
- Accounting: Paolo and Tracy working with accounting system - updated Quickbooks needed. In past, had paid for Doug's Sage Accounting. Agreement to cover the updated Quickbooks as was done in the past. fits already in budget. All 2021 and 2022 audit info submitted.
- Paolo to continue to do statements/financials. Daniel will work on funding with Tracy
- Daniel, Sean and Paolo to update signing with TD. Paolo setting up date for all to sign with TD.
- ***Motion to approve/receive financial update. Moved by Tina, seconded by Sandy. Carried.***

D. Safety and Security:

- Police patrols – increased in BIA area since 2020 pandemic
- Battlefield Park – no known issues.
- Crime update – no crime reported since last meeting.
- fortunate that there is little crime in Downtown Stoney Creek as that is not the case in other BIAs in the City, as multiple BIAs are experiencing issues
- safety and security top of mind for many as issues arise in other areas, people moving here as seen as a safe area. BIA was active on things during pandemic to help keep safe

DI. 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 – food shop to open
- 53 King Street East – Beauty Stop Inc
- 66 King Street East - Trinity Natural Health relocated
- 70 King Street East – space for lease Purrfect Paws location ??? Might be leased for Marble Slab TBC
- Powerhouse building for sale, not The Powerhouse buisness, just the building
- 6 King Street East – for lease (former Tim Horton's space)
- Digital Main Street Grants available – shared with BIA, DMS on site yesterday to visit businesses
- some residential development going on just outside of BIA in surrounding area - will bring more people to the area

DII. Streetscape:

- Summer students working on streetscape, watering, gardens
- Platers with summer plants, a few grasses updated, a few plants taken
- Garden upkeep ongoing - 4 gardens BIA cares for, City planted red & whites plants
- A couple of trees are dead – request with City to replace.
- City has cleaned up their gardens of weeds before Strawberry – 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
- Extra planters to hug around poles – coming soon, taking time

DIII. Strategy:

- Recap from Strawberry Fest - all positive comments received, new visitors, new residents, great weather, great exposure
working with Legion - strawberries and ice cream - did very well, sold out
much more strawberry things on the street/at event
music and entertainment well received
horse & carriage well received with rides all day long
- more younger people moving to area
- Promote as local area with local events to enjoy free of charge
- local gathering place for business - farmer market

- Boots in the Creek – Daniel working hard at fundraising and more. Great interest from public, food trucks and artisans. Lots of work. Lots of fun. Grant \$s unknown now -regardless, Aug 18 & 19, going ahead with event within means/sponsorship.
Updates from Daniel: sponsors coming in, music getting booked, food trucks and artisans, lots of excitement with the event, will draw people to the area
 - “festival light” continuous events 2023 schedule of events
 - June 15 – October 5 Market in the Creek – Thursdays 4-7pm
 - June 17 – Strawberry Folk Fest
 - July 14, August 18, September 15 - Jazz in the Creek
 - 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
 - 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 – out early June and will repeat for July, August
 - Social media increasing
 - 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
 - slowly moving in this direction
 - takes time and on hold with other big projects right now
 - **Community:**
 - CNAF window decals for autism support – Strawberry, Apple, Pumpkin working well so far, great support from businesses and community. Businesses and residents really
 - RC Legion – discussions of partnerships and more connections with events, new.
 - Streetscape – joy with streetscape, lighting, decor, atmosphere bring joy to people and make people want to come
 - Battlefield Re-enactment community BBQ held at Legion May 19th @ 5pm, good photos used for promotions, historic atmosphere
- Motion to receive items above. Motion to receive. Moved by Tina, seconded by Dan. Carried.***

- **Notice of Motions** None.
- **Motions** None.
- **General Information/Other Business** None
- **Adjournment.**
 - Next Meeting Wednesday, July 19 at 6:30pm. Hybrid @ Titan and zoom
 - BIA meetings held the 3rd WED of the month at 630pm
 - NO AUGUST MEETING
 - ***Motion to adjourn. Moved by Tina. carried.*** Meeting adjourned at 8:02pm.
Thank you Daniel/Titan Mortgage for hosting.