

B.I.A. MEETING MINUTES
January 25, 2024

PRESENT: Mary-Louise Belanger, Brad Comeau, Julie Amodeo, Mike Amodeo, Melissa Skinkle, Sharon Burfoot, Rachelle Cuculuzzi, Megan Belanger, Kim Finkle.

Regrets: Donna Graff, Caroline Smith, Jessica Rogers.

Guests: T.J. O'Heir.

Meeting held at Farm Girl Cafe. The meeting commenced at 6:35 p.m. by Mary-Louise Belanger who welcomed everyone.

No Pecuniary Interest was declared.

MINUTES:

Minutes were read individually from the October 26th meeting.

MOTION 1

Moved by Brad Comeau. Seconded by Sharon Burfoot. Carried.

"The committee recommends that the minutes of the B.I.A. meeting from October 26th, 2023 shall be accepted." Carried.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:

Banners: After the October 26th meeting the B.I.A. was advised that the council should make the decision on banners. B.I.A. cancelled the banner and polls order. In future will need to go through Economic Development. Township of Stirling-Rawdon will order banners. B.I.A. was turned down for the grant money through the Township. To invite the Economic Development officer to our next B.I.A. meeting for her input,

Kasama Marketing has resigned as the B.I.A. social media representative in direct relation to the banner project. To look for a new social media person.

TREASURERS REPORT:

Kim Finkle read the Treasurers report.

MOTION 2

Moved by Brad Comeau. Seconded by Megan Belanger. Carried.

"The committee recommends that the Treasurers report of the B.I.A. shall be accepted." Carried.

OUTSTANDING BILLS:

Reissued cheque that was stale dated, Legion for wreath, Mary-Louise Belanger for Christmas lighting, Jessica Rogers for farmers market expenses, Blooms for flowers.

MOTION 3

Moved by Brad Comeau. Seconded by Julie Amodeo. Carried.

"The committee recommends that the B.I.A. pay the outstanding bills." Carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

Constitution: Donna Graff has the final draft of the Constitution. Will bring forward at a B.I.A. meeting for discussion.

Kasama Marketing: Andrew MacDonald has stepped down. He has left an outline for a new social media liaison. Requesting quotes for this position.

Banners: To look at Farmers Market banners. Request quotes for permanent banners for the market season.

NEW BUSINESS:

Election:

Nomination for Mary-Louise Belanger and Jessica Rogers as co-chair.

MOTION 4

Moved by Brad Comeau. Seconded by Megan Belanger. Carried.

“The committee recommends that the B.I.A. elect Mary-Louise Belanger and Jessica Rogers at co-chair.” Carried.

Nominations for Rachelle Cuculuzzi as secretary.

MOTION 5

Moved by Megan Belanger. Seconded by Kim Finkle. Carried.

“The committee recommends that the B.I.A. elect Rachelle Cuculuzzi as secretary.” Carried.

Nominations for Kim Finkle as treasurer.

MOTION 6

Moved by Melissa Skinkle. Seconded by Julie Amodeo. Carried.

“The committee recommends that the B.I.A. elect Kim Finkle as treasurer. Carried.

Board of Management: Changes to Board of Management to be sent to Township for council approval.

Budget: Completed and to be sent off to the Township.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Market: Jessica Rogers to possibly have a Mother’s Day market.

Community BBQ: As per August 24, 2023 meeting a donation of \$200.00 to be given to Melissa Skinkle for the Community BBQ hosted at the Stirling Business Centre at 400 West Front Street.

Hosting different locations for B.I.A. meetings. Next scheduled meetings are:

February 22, March 28, April 25, May 23. Would anyone like to host these upcoming meetings?

Next meeting: Thursday, February 22nd, 2024@6:30 p.m. at Farm Girl Cafe.

Meeting adjourned @8:00 p.m. by Mary-Louise Belanger.