



MOUNT FOREST BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT

ASSOCIATION MEETING MINUTES June 11th, 2024 @ 8:00 AM

Meeting Room Mount Forest Arena

CALLING TO ORDER – Andrew Coburn; Chair Mount Forest BIA

PRESENT ATTENDEES

Members: Dwight Benson, Jessica McFarlane, Maggie Schram, Kailyn Cudney, Rachel Whetham, Amanda Boylan

Staff: Robyn Mulder

Community Members: Penny Renkin

ABSENT ATTENDEES

Andrew Coburn, Bill Nelson, Sherry Burke, Allison Litt

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Dwight

REVIEW AND ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Dwight

Jessica motions to add 'Economic Development Updates, & Resignation' to agenda, Maggie seconds, carried.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

1. Resignation / New Member

Dwight

- Kayla Morton has decided to resign from the BIA, to Maggie motions to accept the resignation, Amanda seconds. Carried to council.
- Kyle Dallaire expresses interest in joining the BIA, Dwight motions to add Kyle Dallaire to the BIA board, Maggie seconded. Carried to council.

- To discuss at the next meeting is vice chair, and secretary roles

2. Weekly Garbage Pick Up - Main St

Bill

- Bill not in attendance, no updates

3. Snowflakes

Dwight

- Snowflakes are still in trailer, just waiting to be transported to be fixed

4. Socials

Kailyn

- Kailyn updates about the historical building posts partnering with the Museum & Archives

5. Light Bulbs

Dwight

- Dwight overviewed the lightbulb options
- Dwight to connect with Karen to request a delegation to council to present the idea and cost savings to the municipality

6. Reimagined Laneway - Pizza Hut

Jessica

- Jess has received a couple quotes back for getting the walls painted, one was for pizza hut side, half way up (10'), paint included, no repairs included \$3200 and \$6000 for full height, Brenda Hasties building, halfway including paint \$3200, full \$6400, \$1600 a week approximately for the boom lift
- Second quote, Pizza Hut building with tax just over \$10,000, Brenda's side would be just under \$8700 and would include the masonwork of the bottom of the building, also includes boom rental
- Robertsons quoted 26,730 plus tax for the proposed alley landscaping
- Jess to email Dale Clark or Darren Jones
- Current ideas will be sent to Your Town Rising for feedback
- Jess to find out what can be done with the current driveway, can we block it off, can we cover it, etc

7. June 1- Kick Off to Summer - Block Party

Maggie

- Maggie overviewed the event last weekend
- We had 7 volunteers, 2 sponsorships, and we made approximately \$480 in popcorn, cotton candy, vendor fee, & cornhole registration fees
- In hindsight, it was a long event and in the future we would not host such a long event
- Next event is Oct 26th Halloween Haunting on Main

8. Fireworks

Kailyn

- Jessica motions to donate \$2000 to the Fireworks Festival, Rachel seconded, carried.
- The events committee believes that this contribution should not come out of our events budget moving forward

- The idea was presented of having a BIA tent set up at the car show but will need to find someone to host the tent as all members of the events committee have prior commitments

9. Downtown Planters

Dwight

- Richard told Dwight they are going up this week

10. Economic Development Updates

Robyn

- Your Town Rising is coming next Tuesday, the 18th of June and will be doing a walk through at 10:30 and will be doing a presentation at 6:30 that night

NEW BUSINESS

1. NEXT MEETING

July 9th 2024 in the Lower Leisure Room @ Mount Forest Arena

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned by Maggie & seconded by Amanda.