



MINUTES OF MEETING OF ARTHUR BIA

Wednesday, January 15, 2025 @ 7:30 PM
Virtual via Zoom link

Board Members present:

Angela Alaimo, Chair
Paula Coffey, Vice Chair
Chris McIntosh, Treasurer
Jim Coffey
Sheila Faulkner
Councillor Lisa Hern

Other Attendees

Robyn Mulder EDO

Absent

Mitch Keirstead
Gord Blyth

Review and Adoption of the Agenda at 7:31pm

Chair Angela called the virtual meeting to order

THAT the agenda for the February 19, 2025 meeting of the Arthur Business Improvement Area be accepted and passed. Chris asked to amend the Agenda to include an event in the roundtable discussion. Paula asked that the Agenda be amended to include a discussion of Arthur By the Fire Motion to approve Agenda with those amendments by Paula and seconded by Jim.

Review and Approval of Minutes

THAT the minutes from the September 25, 2024 Arthur Business Improvement Area meeting be approved and passed. Motion to approve August minutes by Paula, and seconded by Chris

Financial Report

Review of financial report from Chris, No changes other than some interest and bank charges; expecting levy in March, 2025 based on last year schedule.
Motion to approve by Jim and seconded by Sheila.

Roundtable Discussion:

Paula discussed the Arthur By the Fire event – Copernicus will not be sponsoring this year. Melissa has given all of the information to Paula. Application for Funding went in from the Chamber and it was billed as a Community Event. Looking for sponsors; canvassing charging nominal fees for food and modifying entertainment to try and lower costs from last year's budget of \$8,000.00. It was agreed that last year's location was great. Plan for June event.

Chris raised the option of having a shredding event for businesses. He has spoken to a few businesses in town; have an event where people could congregate and bring boxes of shredding. Chris will look into getting more information. It would be great support for local businesses in conjunction with the Chamber.

Chris and Paula will deal with getting quotes for the pots.

Paula will create a contest to garner suggestions from the community for two new banners.

Banners for the bump out. Get two or three options for next meeting. Angela will take a picture and send it to everyone to take a look at.

Poppy refurbishing – the artisan is waiting for the go ahead – it will cost \$900 for the ones in front of the Legion.

Robyn had a question about the murals. There is a question about whether the murals will need to be replaced.

Robyn is looking to do the business retention survey this year which will be helpful. She reported that three businesses downtown would be closing soon. Robyn confirmed that the window clingons for the windows to advertise the business that we would want on the main street.

Angela will put in the application for the OBIAA for our banner project.

Date of next meeting:

March 19

Adjournment Sheila