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Lindsay Downtown Business Improvement Association

MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Thursday, June 4th, 2020 7:30am

Virtual Meeting via Zoom

Board Members

Vice ChairChairTreasurerSteve PodolskyCharlie McDonaldLeanna Segura

Voting Members

Sandra Falconer, Jim Garbutt, Laura LeMiere Mark Ridout, Ann Scarlett, Tim White

City Council

Councillor Pat Dunn, Councillor Pat O'Reilly

KLPS Liason
Chief Mark Mitchell
Carlie Arbour

MEETING #RBM-2020-03

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

Called to Order by the Chair: 7:33am

In Attendance: Charlie McDonald, Steve Podolsky, Leanna Segura, Jim Garbutt, Laura LeMiere,

Mark Ridout, Councillor Pat O'Reilly

Recording Secretary: Melissa McFarland

Late Arrivals: Sandra Falconer (7:37am), Ann Scarlett (7:51am)

Early Departures: None **Guests:** None

Regrets: Councillor Pat Dunn

Absent: Tim White, Chief Mark Mitchell, Carlie Arbour

2.0 ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS

2.1 ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Moved By: Jim Garbutt Seconded By: Steve Podolsky

Resolved: That the agenda be adopted as circulated. Carried RBM2020-25

2.2 DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

None

2.3 ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Moved By: Steve Podolsky Seconded By: Leanna Segura

Resolved: That the Minutes of the May 20th, 2020 Board of Directors meeting be approved.

Carried RBM2020-26

3.0 DEPUTATIONS

None

4.0 CORRESPONDENCE

None

5.0 OTHER OR NEW BUSINESS

5.1 DOWNTOWN RECONSTRUCTION UPDATES

Melissa McFarland gave updates on the progress in the construction area. The underground work is finished, and focus is on the street surfaces, newly created bumpouts and subsequent landscaping, sidewalks and lampposts. The sidewalks have all been removed, but access to businesses has been maintained with packed gravel to the storefront. It is believed that the work is on schedule, and Lindsay Street work will begin soon.

Jim Garbutt mentioned his concerns about the inside concrete strip on the sidewalk was rumoured to be narrower. Melissa McFarland passed on the information provided to her that the strip is just to create a straight horizontal line where the interlock will start, because the building faces are not all in line with one another. He also brought forward concerns about his foundation and potential structural issues, and advised that the membership should be notified to check their properties. Charlie McDonald advised that he would consult with Engineering and/or CIMA and HardCo.

5.2 COVID-19 BUSINESS RESPONSE

Retail openings appear to be going well, with some retailers having waited and opened June 1st. Some concerns have been mentioned about the possibility of some businesses price gouging, but this is more likely related to the expense of having to bring some product in from the U.S.

6.0 OTHER OR NEW BUSINESS

6.1 POLICE

Chief Mitchell was not in attendance.

6.2 COUNCIL

Councillor O'Reilly gave updates. The Recovery Task Force Terms of Reference was brought forward and approved by Council. 3 local citizens from the manufacturing, tourism and construction sectors will be included. The intention is for there to be working groups that can have business organizations be a part of. They are discussing the opening of patios when allowed by the province and how more space could be utilized. He also gave updates from Planning on new residential developments. Cancelled events in the CKL include the International Plowing Match, Lindsay Central Exhibition, the large reunion, and any events scheduled in municipal facilities such as the Armoury or recreation centres.

6.3 STAFF

Carlie Arbour was not in attendance.

7.0 REPORTS

7.1 CHAIR/VICE-CHAIR UPDATE

Charlie McDonald gave updates. There have been parking complaints from a business on Cambridge Street South, with employees using the on-street parking and designated back lot parking. He suggests that Wayne English return on a casual basis to monitor without ticketing and that a courtesy card be handed out. Melissa McFarland will create and coordinate with Wayne.

7.2 GENERAL MANAGER UPDATE

Melissa McFarland gave updates. Bob FM has created a new version of the subsidy program for businesses and will have her come on the air weekly to give updates on downtown, as well donate gift certificates for giveaways. Kawartha Lake This week also has offered a low-cost advertising program. An additional business closure was reported – the Shoe Repair Shop on William Street South, due to the proprietor moving away.

The Board suggested that sub-committees begin to meet virtually. Melissa will coordinate with Committee Chairs to schedule.

8.0 NEXT MEETING

Thursday, June 25th, 2020 Location TBA

9.0 ADJOURNMENT

Moved By: Leanna Segura Seconded By: Mark Ridout

Resolved: That the Board of Directors adjourns its Regular meeting of June 4th, 2020 at 8:32am.

Carried RBM2020-27