

JACKSON'S POINT VILLAGE ASSOCIATION BIA



ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

MINUTES

Date: February 23, 2017

Time: 8:15 a.m.

Location: The Briars
55 Hedge Road, Jackson's Point
Coach House

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called the meeting to order at 8:20 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL AND WELCOME

John Mclean
Kathy Taylor
Andrea Ruth
Steve Jacobson
Leo Russo
Susan Gorman
Joel Liptchitz
Councillor Frank Sebo
Peggy Robinson

Guest Speaker: Jennifer Anderson, Georgina Chamber of Commerce

3. COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

4. INTRODUCTION OF ADDENDUM ITEMS

a. Election of New Board Members

Moved by John McLean, Seconded by Kathy Taylor
Carried

5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Joel Lipchitz, Seconded by Peggy Robinson (Sparkle & Barkle Associate Member).
Carried.

6. DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND GENERAL NATURE THEREOF

7. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

- a. Minutes of the February 25, 2016 Annual General Meeting
Moved by Joel Lipchitz, Seconded by Kathy Taylor
Carried

8. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

9. DELEGATIONS/SPEAKERS

10. PRESENTATIONS

Jennifer Anderson, Manager of Membership and Tourism Services at the Chamber of Commerce provided a presentation on the benefits of joining the Chamber.

11. COMMUNICATIONS

- a. GTTI is offering a culinary program and is looking for placements for their students.

12. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a. Financial Report
 - i. Andrew Sibbald presented the unaudited financial report and budget; the financial report has been provided to the Town. The BIA has provided a copy of the rates that will be applied to the members.

13. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Welcome from the Chair
 - i. Steve Jacobson thanked John McLean for his two years of service with the BIA. He then described the benefits of membership, which includes among other things having a paid web presence (website, Facebook, Twitter), access to Community Improvement Plan grants. Kat's Gallery has recently taken part in the Community Improvement Grant Program. Low interest loans up to \$10,000 are also available from South Lake Community Futures; Karyn Stone and Kathy Taylor commented in support of the grant programs

Steve Jacobson handed the Chair to Joel Lipchitz for the remainder of the meeting.

- b. Election of New Directors
 - i. Four members came forward to offer their assistance and fill vacancies on the board: Andrea Ruth, Leo Russo, Andy Dubrawski (represented by Alicia Dubrawski as he was called away for a family emergency), Jolene Semenchenko. Three calls were made for additional volunteers; none came forward.
Each delegate described their business and what they had to offer.
Four written Proxy votes were presented to the Chair.
It was determined who was eligible to vote (ie. BIA members only or their designate), and a closed vote was held.

The ballots were counted by Karyn Stone and Sean Columbus from the Town of Georgina.

Andy Dubrawski and Jolene Semenchenko were elected and welcomed to the Board.

Motion to destroy the ballots

Moved by Andrew Sibbald, Seconded by Alicia Dubrawski
Carried

Motion to accept the receipt of the Unaudited Statements for 2017

Moved by Andrew Sibbald; Seconded by Kathy Taylor

Carried, one opposed

Motion to accept the 2017 Budget

Moved by John McLean, Seconded by Frank Sebo;

Carried, one opposed

c. Open Discussion

- i. Andrea Ruth provided a presentation seeking dissolution of the Board due to concerns with the inability to fairly represent all businesses on the Jackson's Point BIA Facebook page and disagrees with the format of the BIA financial statements. Andrea has not felt welcome by the association, has been prevented from participating in events, and was not provided with a bike rack therefore preventing her from participating in the Ontario by Bike program. Further, she is talking to OBIAA, has had no assistance and states the Board has already committed to purchase cake for July 1 event without seeking a quote from her.

Motion to receive the presentation from Andrea Ruth.

Moved by John McLean, Seconded by Andrew Sibbald;

Carried

Motion that Andrea Ruth provide her presentation remarks in writing, and that the Board provide a written response to Andrea's concerns.

Moved by Joel Liptchitz, Seconded by Andrew Sibbald:

Carried

*Note: a written response was forwarded to Andrea Ruth.

Leo Russo indicated that he supports the dissolution of the Board because: he did not agree to Steve acting as his representative, two decorative street lights in proximity to his property are burnt out and the BIA should have them fixed. Leo feels the BIA should advocate on the part of the businesses.

Motion to receive comments from Leo Russo.

Moved by Andrew Sibbald, Seconded by Alicia Dubrawski;

Carried

14. OTHER BUSINESS

- a. Joel Liptchitz thanked the Members and Associate Members for coming out to the meeting

15. CLOSED SESSION, IF REQUIRED

16. MOTION TO ADJOURN

Moved by Andrew Sibbald, Seconded by Alicia Dubrawski.

That the meeting be adjourned at 9:45 a.m.

Carried.