

BACCS Meeting
March 16th, 2023
6:30pm - DeVenney Room - Bridgetown Library

Ro called meeting to order at 6.34pm

Attendance – Jane Bezanson, Gary Olsvik, Laura Ricketts, Caroline Perriman, Steve Clayton, John Osborn, Ro Allen, Nancy Price, Trudy White, Angela Prive, Councillors David Hudson
Absent with notice ; Chantelle Web, Kirk Lycett
Absent with no notice : Jennifer D’Aubin
Nicole Hackenschmidt has officially stepped down as director.

Reviewed last meeting minutes. Ro called for errors or omissions. John motioned to approve minutes, Jane 2nd the motion. M/C.

Executive Meeting

Laura reviewed the proposed budget.

- AGM - \$400.00
- Ciderfest - \$5,000
- VIC - \$ 1,000
- Bursary - \$1,000
- Marketing - \$1,500
- GIC - ?????
- Administration fees - ???
- The executive will have another meeting to work on the budget to have a budget to be presented at the next meeting.

Guideline Recommendation Changes for Subcommittees of the Chamber

- Chamber President is a member of all sub committees and has the right to attend all meetings.
- Chamber will appoint a chair and vice chair for each subcommittee.
- All sub committees must present reports at all monthly meetings.
- Sub committees cannot apply for any grants/ applications without approval of consent of the chamber.
- Any publications / advertisement must be approved by the chamber.
- All sub committees must align within the Chambers vision and mission.
- All members of committees must be chamber members in good standing
- The executive will have another meeting to work on the recommended changes to be presented at the next meeting.

AGM – This will be Held April 21st at Lunn’s at 6pm. Ro has been sending out invitations.

Reports

Finances - (Laura Ricketts)

Laura reviewed the report .

Opening Balance \$ 30,531.24

Closing Balance \$30,797.31

Laura Ricketts made the motion to approve moving the Chambers Bank account to a small Business Member Direct to accept email money transfers and name Laura Ricketts, Ro Allen and John Osborn as to having signing authority.

John 2nd the Motion – Motion Carried

Ciderfest

- John Osborn, Carrie Ness, Laura Ricketts, Ro Allen and Chantelle Web will be working on this with hopefully a lot of volunteers.
- John Osborn will be the chair of this committee
- The first meeting will be Thursday March 23rd at 6:30 pm at the Library in the DeVenny room.
- John has sent out a notice to all past members and also sent out a call for new volunteers to attend.

Development Committee (Nancy Price)

- Mapping Asset meeting went well. Communication showed up as a top issue again. They will have another meeting to go through the data and come up with the top 3 priorities.
- Talked about purchasing commercial lighting.
- Also mentioned about getting large lighting pieces for on the polls , such as large snow flakes but they can run \$690 and up in price. And also looking into including Granville Street.
- The Chamber agreed that it is worth looking into and the committee will find out prices and present to the Chamber.
- Ro will be attending all meetings if available.
- Trudy White has started a spread sheet and is tracking all volunteer hours that can be used when applying for grants.
- Garden club will be looking after the planters on Queen Street.
- The planters are being used as garbage cans. The County was suppose to have these removed and put in storage after Christmas.
- Will need 6 banners for Queen Street for spring/summer and fall. Angie Myers is doing a design up and the Committee will bring it to the Chamber at a future meeting with cost.

VIC – No Report

- Trudy White asked who owned the building and was informed that it is the County.
- Could the building be painted by the student that gets hired for the summer?
- Trudy suggested that Angela Prive and Caroline Perriman choose the colors that will pop
- Ro suggested that there be a more Tourism focused Committee /VIC.
- Trudy White as well as Angela Prive, Caroline Perriman will be on this team and Ro will also ask Chantelle Web to join.

- **Membership –(Ro Allen)**

- Ro has been passing out packages and ask that people tell her of any new business so she can get everyone.
- Also she will be sending reminders to all existing members .
- Any members that joined mid-year are prorated.

Light up The Town – (John Osborn)

- Cost of \$200.00 to run the event
- Gave out \$1400 dollars in prizes
- Had 18 floats in the parade
- 12 houses entered the house decorating contest
- Approximately 1000 people attended the event that night
- Made a \$250 dollar donation to the Search and Rescue for there assistance

John made the motion to make a \$100 donation to the Bridgetown Food Bank on behalf of the old town Hall owner Riku Raisenen for allowing us to use the area and power.

Caroline 2nd the motion - M/C

New Business

Old Fire Hall Building – John Osborn made the motion for him to act on behalf of the Chamber and make a proposal to present to the County for them to give the Old Fire Hall building to the Chamber to use for all nonprofits for storage, warming station and community center.

Steve 2nd the motion – M/C

Rewind 89.3 Spring Proposal

Laura Ricketts made the motion for the Chamber to contribute \$1000 for the Spring Promotion

John Osborn 2nd the motion – M/C

Green Space (Jackie Fosters Lot)

- Laura has gotten official approval to have the Chamber to have a market in that space.
- The market would take place on Friday's from 10am – 2pm
- From the first week in June to the end of September
- Looking at having 10 tables at \$10 each.
- This will be tabled at the next meeting

John Motioned to close the meeting.
Jane 2nd the motion
Motion Carried Ro closed meeting

Next Meeting (AGM)
Thursday April 20th/23
6:00pm
Lunn's