

BACCS Meeting

October 17, 2024

6:30pm DeVenney Room-Bridgetown Library

In Attendance: Ro Allen, John Osborne, Laura Ricketts, Samantha Langley, Caroline Perriman, Trudy White, Carrie Ness, Holly Kaulbach, Zach Van Wagner, Nancy Price, Harrison Murphy, Dustin Enslow

Absent: Jennifer D'Aubin, David Hudson

Ro called the meeting to order at 6:34pm.

Agenda Additions:

Additions of Cyprus Walk.

Addition of Commerce under reports.

Holly made a motion to approve the changes. Carrie seconded. Carried.

Review of September Minutes: Samantha read. Harrison made a motion to approve the minutes. Carrie seconded. Carried.

Business Arising from The Minutes:

Has anyone contacted Cadettes? No, Ro will contact them regarding the duck race.

Laura wrote a cheque for BCRA for \$500.00 & BVFD for \$150.00 to cover the previously approved costs.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Finance: Laura

Current balance is \$10 642.00.

Ciderfest: No report.

Development Committee: Nancy Price

Bridgetown Community Active Living Loop is in its final stages, last signs will be installed October 22, 2024. The connector will also be complete in the next few weeks.

The Legion has veterans banners that will be put up on Queen Street. Committee to meet November 1, 2024 to install the poppy garlands that Caroline and her hookers and knitters have created. They will remain up until after Remembrance Day. Banners will remain up until November 24, 2024 and winter banners will be installed at that time.

Kelly Grant has arranged for Heather LeBlanc from MapAnnapolis to come to talk to the committee about restoring the Silas Piper burial plot in the Anglican Church cemetery on October 23 at 2:30 at Wools on the Corner.

The committee will meet next week, date TBA to pack up brochures and get VIC ready for the winter. Chamber should think about some rodent control measures because mice have been a problem.

Christmas decorating will take place November 24 at 10am. Everyone will phone 2 or 3 people to invite to help, as well as ads in the Reader and the Forum.

Harrison Murphy has been working with the committee to gather some input on his designs and the banners. The committee like his designs. One suggestion is that the background colour should be close to the colours of the Queen St. banners. In discussion with Harrison, it was decided that the colour number will be located and passed on to him.

Inventory of all our Christmas decorations will be carried out. It was decided to leave the decorations in the Quonset hut for now because public works stores the large ones there and we would like to keep everything together.

VIC/Tourism: No report.

Membership: No report.

Light Up The Town: Carrie

Insurance has been applied for. We will be changing the parade route this year, likely from the arena to Brickyard Road. Santa is confirmed. There will be a photo booth this year. Santas workshop will take place in the Adaptation building with various decorations and activities. Light competition planning is underway.

Ro will book the library for October 23, 2024 for a Light Up The Town meeting.

Commerce Report: Trudy

Tallulah Freelove, Wools On The Corner, Albert & Middle all distributed flyers to the South Shore promoting a shopping event and had a really positive response.

Trudy proposed the Chamber do something similar on a larger scale.

Can we find a way to work with Atlantic Canada Chamber to further promote ourselves.

The Chamber is in support of such an event, Trudy will take the lead on this, plan and reach out the Chamber with anything she needs.

Discussion took place about the possibility of a new committee to oversee such events/promotions of Bridgetown and possibilities with that.

It was decided we would postpone Nancy Whitman to February for her presentation and we would book Daniella to come speak at the November meeting to introduce herself and tell us what she does with the County.

New Business:

Ro is going to contact Andy regarding the website and the possibility of having more frequent updates.

Cyprus walk is being taken down for the winter. Brochures are underway for next year.

Harrison was given new brackets for Granville Street. Cats Meow does not do banners, they are not an option. To do 6 banners on Granville Street & 9 banners downtown would cost \$636.00+HST. It was decided that the banners would be winter theme instead of Christmas themed so that they can stay up longer.

Dustin offered to sponsor the banners for the bridge, Munroe Construction will sponsor the banners on Granville Street.

Add to the agenda for the next meeting-What is our goal or mission as a Chamber?

Ro called to adjourn the meeting at 8:06pm.