

BACCS Meeting

May 22, 2025

6:30pm DeVenney Room

In Attendance: John Osborne, Elizabeth Taylor, Samantha Langley, Caroline Perriman, Trudy White, Carrie Ness, Zach Van Wagner, Nancy Price, Harrison Murphy, Christine Young

Absent: Jennifer D'Aubin, Holly Kaulbach, Dustin Enslow, Ted Agombar

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

Agenda Additions/Deletions:

To be added to New Business:

1. Treasurer stipend.
2. ACROSS Shuttle

Councillors consultation discussion to be tabled to next meeting.

AGM Minutes: Samantha read the minutes aloud. An error was made and there was not an open Director Chair, Nancy is ok with not being a director this year. Jennifer to be moved from accepting a director seat to accepting her position as past president. Carrie was not noted as in attendance.

Trudy made a motion to accept the AGM minutes as read with the noted changes. Zach seconded. Carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Finance: Liz

Still working on completing 2024 as things keep popping up. Once completed she will update the registry of joint stocks. Current balance is approximately \$6700.00. Current accounts receivable is approximately \$1400.00. She has continued to work on the CRA issue, they will require a signed copy of the AGM Minutes to remove all previous executive and have all current executive added to update and give us access to the CRA account.

Liz asked if it would be possible to have a separate budget meeting before the next regular monthly meeting, it was decided June 5 at 6:30 at the library. Samantha will book the library for that date.

VIC/Tourism: No report.

Development Committee: Nancy

Applied for funding for planter flowers and we have been given \$300 to help defray costs, a cheque will be made out to the Chamber of Commerce and we should receive by next week.

Time to start cleaning up the VIC and getting ready for summer season. Plans to put in an accessible washroom are currently on hold. Accessibility grants come out the first of the year so discussion about the possibility should happen at the close of VIC season. Do we fix up the present usable bathroom?

Provincial Track and Field prep continues, the map is made and 100 paper copies have been printed for the welcome bags.

Discussion took place regarding the shuttle and ensuring that coaches/officials and Eastlink employees also get fed.

Ciderfest: John

The decision has been made to postpone Ciderfest for this coming year as we did not have anyone willing to take on the head of planning the event. Carrie is going to post the announcement on Social Media and Samantha will forward the announcement to be printed in the Bridgetown Reader.

Membership: John

There is a list of 300+ people on it, the list needs to be broken up into sections and each of these people be contacted to see if they would like to continue being members and remind them to pay fees for 2025/2026 year. John, Trudy, Zach & Carrie will take on the task of contacting everyone. Membership fees can be e-transferred or dropped off at D'Aubins Family Meats, Wools on The Corner or Tallulah Freeloove.

LUTT: No report. Event will be December 5, 2025.

Commerce Committee: Zach

'Your Are Welcome Here' Posters are out-Thank You Trudy.

Zach made a motion that the Chamber provide the Commerce Committee with \$322.00 in funding to support the continued promotion of Shop Bridgetown, a grassroots initiative that highlights local businesses in Bridgetown, the funding would cover 1000 copies of postcards (\$140), website renewal (\$22) and facebook advertising (\$160).

Trudy seconded. Carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

It was brought up that the Rice Road Exit and its excessive potholes are a concern for people coming in and out of town. Trudy offered to write a letter to DOT to express the Chambers concern and hope that this can be repaired sooner rather than later.

BACCS will begin advertising vacant buildings or spaces that are for sale or rent on their social media platforms in an effort to make people aware of business opportunities and entice people to open businesses in town.

ACOSS Shuttle for the Provincial Track & Field Meet: The motion for a shuttle went out via email and was approved.

At the separate meeting the Chamber had for the track & field meets it was decided that although food vendors were a good idea, were not ideal at this time.

Carrie is going to prepare a letter from BACCS to be included in the welcome bags for the event.

Treasurer Stipend: Discussion took place. John made a motion that the Treasurer is to be paid \$210/month for the year beginning April 1, 2025, ending March 31, 2026.

Trudy seconded. Carried.

Harrison brought up concern that many of the banners for the bridge on Queen Street have been destroyed, it was decided that we would use what we have for now and not purchase more banners.

John called to adjourn the meeting at 7:42pm.