

South Bruce Community and Business Association

“Serving the Municipality of South Bruce”

Monday, December 9, 2024 - 7:00AM

Municipal Office, Teeswater

Attendance: Nikk Wise, Adam Ireland, Rhonda Niesen, Patti Weiler, Tim Meyer, Emily Montag, Jim Gowland, Paula Culbert. Guest: Leanne Martin

Adam opened the meeting at 7:00am and welcomed everyone.

Approval of Minutes:

November 4, 2024 - Motion to Approve Minutes as presented.

Motion to approve November 4, 2024 SBCBA Meeting Minutes – Emily Montag, seconded by Jean Culliton.

Motion to be requested at the next meeting.

Treasurer’s Report: Patti Weiler

- \$17,210.31 with no outstanding payments.

Follow up From Last Meeting:

- Membership listing has been updated and is current
- The AGM has been confirmed for Wednesday, February 5, 2025 at the Teeswater Town Hall
 - o Agreed to have a social from 5:30pm – 6:30pm with a light food offering and meeting to start at 6:30pm
 - o Adam and Nikk will discuss the agenda – more detail at the January Meeting
- The current SBCBA Bylaws need review and updates. Emily and Jim will do some work on this and bring to Adam and Nikk for a second set of eyes. This topic to be on the agenda for the AGM.
- Nikk provided a draft of a calendar/membership listing
 - o All agreed it was a good format and will proceed

Municipal Report: Rhonda Niesen

- Rhonda provided a report with respect to:
 - o South Bruce Downtown Revitalization
 - o New Resident Welcome Packages
 - o First Aid Training offered by the Municipality
 - o Branding
 - o Upcoming WOWSA Event – January 21, 2025
 - o A request letter of support will be discussed under other business
 - o Housing developments in South Bruce
 - o New businesses in South Bruce in 2024

- Leanne Martin, CAO of Municipality of South Bruce attended the meeting and provided a report on the recent decision regarding the DGR project.

Community Reports:

Agriculture:

- Jim commented on the impact that the 25% Trump tariff will have on our local agricultural sector

Main Street: Nikk Wise

- The Fish Guy will be opening very shortly – Mildmay
- The Ice Cream Shop is closed for renos - Mildmay
- The Grocery store is up for sale – Mildmay
- Wendt's Jewellery – no confirmed closure date
- Tees Tap House – very active on social media of late; lots going on – Teeswater

Tourism: Rhonda Niesen

- Rhonda provided a report with respect to:
 - o 2025 Event Cards – they are printed and ready for distribution
 - o Upcoming Tourism Events include:
 - Dueling Pianos - April 5, 2025
 - South Bruce Vintage Tractor Tour – June 15, 2025
 - Flavours of South Bruce – July 13, 2025

Outreach: No Report

Membership:

- Discussion around current membership fee

Motion to leave the membership fee at \$100.00 for 2025 – Emily Montag, seconded by Jim Gowland.

CLC – Jim Gowland

- Jim complimented the Municipality on the professionalism of the DGR process and was very proud of how the process was handled

New Business:

- Rhonda Niesen presented a request letter of support for the upcoming WOWSA Event being held in Mildmay on January 21, 2025.

Motion to support the January 21, 2025 WOWSA Event in the amount of \$250.00 - Paula Culbert, seconded by Jim Gowland.

Next Meeting – Monday, January 6, 2025 at Harley's Pub and Perk, Mildmay

Motion to Adjourn: Emily Montag at 8:20am