

**Grimsby DIA Minutes**  
**Wednesday, Sept 7, 2022**  
**In-Person at GBF Hub**

PRESENT: Mike Williscraft, Chair, Andy Daniels, Simon Duong, Jeff Jordan,  
Reg Freake

Regrets: Bryan McCauley, Luca Vitalli, Roseanna LaPorta

1. Meeting called to order at 8:25am
2. Disclosure of Interests (Mike Williscraft)
3. Adoption of Previous Minutes: July minutes not available, Mike noted they would be ready for September's meeting
4. Delegations:

1. **Simply Moto** (Karen and James) re the Friday 13<sup>th</sup> Motorcycle tour coming into/through Grimsby (est. 300+ motorcyclists); Stacy of GBF offered the GBF parking lot as a location for the overflow parking.
2. **Grimsby Parks & Recreation** (Trevor Ruzyllo) gave an update of the various activities planned for Grimsby 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday Party over the 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> September in downtown/elsewhere; there will be strict security and fire plans enforced; road closures from 6 am; there will be shuttle service from Blessed Trinity School (west end) and Mountainview Church (east end) to downtown; expecting attendance of est. 2000 people; one of main attractions will be The Grimsby Art Walk; there will be food/beverage vendors onsite; cutting of a large birthday cake evening of 24<sup>th</sup>; Mike W noted that there would be a special event and limo service to and from the ROM (Royal Ontario Museum). There was lots of related conversation which followed.

**MOTION:** DIA to raise sponsorship for Grimsby 100 Celebrations to \$10,000.

MOVED by: Jeff and SECONDED by Simon. Approved

**Financial Report:** In the absence of Treasurer, Chair Mike Williscraft, gave a brief report – noting an indirect conflict with the proposed reimbursement – said that Comedy Night Dinners were \$100; Judge & Jester two x \$100; Shop local Week-6 gift certificates were awarded costing \$500 (reimbursed to Ms. Bratton). Gift Certs were for: Food Basics \$250; Donna's Fashions \$150; and Noni's Pizza \$100.

MOTION to approve and pay the above noted expenditures to Catherine Bratton.  
MOVED by Simon and SECONDED by Andy - Approved

6. **MOTION ITEM** for Discussion: Although Grimsby Council members (like all DIA members) have always had an open invitation to attend andy and alll DIA meetings, it was felt that the DIA Chair should send an official letter of invitation to Grimsby Council to clarify they are welcome to attend any/all future meetings.

MOVED BY: Andy and SECONDED by Reg. Approved

7. **Business Arising:** Chair Mike Williscraft gave a quick overview of the great success of the Grimsby Comedy Nights which has ended this year and hoping to see them back next season. There was also a quick overview of the Grimsby 100<sup>th</sup> Celebration and The Grimsby Art Walk Event.

**MOTION:** The DIA to co-sponsor the Grimsby Heritage Painting Challenge including the costs of the limousine service portion of the winner's prize of a Family Trip for 4 people to/from The Royal Ontario Museum (ROM) as part of the Grimsby Arts Walk Event. Details are still to be worked out, with quote information and details to be circulated and voted on by email in time for the Sept. 24 event. Formal information will be on the October meeting agenda.

MOVED by: Andy and SECONDED by Simon - Approved

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** Reg: The **International Whisky Festival** to be held by 40-Creek 23/24<sup>th</sup> September Stacey Elia: The **GBF Fashion Show** to be held 22<sup>nd</sup> September (a major fundraiser) Stacey Elia: The GBF is challenged at the **Food Bank** (huge shortage) and need help; they also need help to cover their client's needs for **Thanksgiving**.

## **8. NEW BUSINESS:**

- a. To submit the DIA Reserve Report to Grimsby Council

10. **Next Meeting:** October 5<sup>th</sup>, 2022, at Wolverton Hall.

11. **ADJOURNMENT** at 9 am: Moved by Simon; Seconded by Jeff

Approved