



GRIMSBY DOWNTOWN BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT AREA

November 13, 2024, 9 a.m. Teddy's Sports Bar 30 Main Street West, Grimsby ON

Present:	Mayor Jordan (arrived at 9:34 a.m.)
	Mark Wood
	Simon Duong
	Christine Kempf
	Daniel Vandersteen
	Chris Mindorff
	Ben Burns
	Lisa Sproston (exited at 10:11 a.m.)
Absent:	Councillor Davoli
Staff:	Amanda MacDonald – Executive Director, GDBIA Noah Nickel – Committee Coordinator Katie Viccica – Deputy Clerk

1. Call the Meeting to Order

The meeting was called to order at 9:06 a.m.

2. Approval of the Agenda

BIA-24-091

Moved by: Simon Duong Seconded by: Christine Kempf

The Chair requested the agenda be amended to:

• Move "Old Business" ahead of "Closed Session".

Resolved that the November 13, 2024 Grimsby Downtown BIA agenda be approved as amended.

CARRIED

3. Declarations of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests

Member Duong declared a conflict with a portion of the budget, pertaining to the \$30,000 "Happening" budget line. Member Duong did not vote on this budget line.

Mayor Jordan declared a conflict with a portion of the budget, pertaining to the \$8,000 "Decoration – Planters/Hanging Baskets" budget line. Mayor Jordan did not vote on this budget.

4. Business Arising from the Minutes

Grimsby Downtown BIA Members discussed the creation of the Downtown Construction Task Force, to support members and other downtown businesses during the scheduled upcoming Main Street construction project.

Grimsby Downtown BIA Members also discussed individuals they had spoken with, including Members of the Grimsby Downtown BIA, that had expressed interest in serving on the task force.

BIA-24-092

Moved by: Ben Burns Seconded by: Christine Kempf

Resolved that the Downtown Construction Task Force be created, and that the following individuals be appointed as members:

- Andy Daniels
- Bryan Macaulay
- Daniel Vandersteen
- Faye Hassan
- Harley Valentine
- Marilyn McCrea

- Rebecca Shelley
- Simon Duong

CARRIED

5. Approval of the Minutes

BIA-24-093

Moved by: Simon Duong Seconded by: Daniel Vandersteen

Resolved that the following minutes be received:

a. Grimsby Downtown BIA Meeting Minutes - October 9, 2024

CARRIED

6. Chair's Report - VERBAL UPDATE

The Chair provided his report, which touched on the GDBIA's Halloween event, the upcoming Christmas event taking place on December 6, 2024, as well as the December meeting of the Grimsby Downtown BIA, and the upcoming Ladies' Night and Downtown Business Passport events.

BIA-24-094

Moved by: Christine Kempf Seconded by: Ben Burns

Resolved that the Executive Director be directed to write and send a letter to the AGCO on behalf of the Grimsby Downtown BIA to guarantee approval of the special event liquor licence required for the Ladies' Night event.

CARRIED

7. Financials

a. GDBIA 2025 Budget

Member Vandersteen provided a presentation on the GDBIA 2025 Budget.

BIA-24-095

Moved by: Daniel Vandersteen Seconded by: Ben Burns

Resolved that the \$30,000 budgeted for "Happening" in the GDBIA 2025 Budget be approved.

CARRIED

BIA-24-096

Moved by: Chris Mindorff Seconded by: Lisa Sproston

Resolved that the \$8,000 budgeted for "Decoration – Planters/Hanging Baskets" in the GDBIA 2025 Budget be approved.

CARRIED

BIA-24-097

Moved by: Daniel Vandersteen Seconded by: Ben Burns

Resolved that the GDBIA 2025 Budget be approved as presented.

CARRIED

8. Events

There were no events.

9. Old Business

a. GDBIA Christmas Decorations – Update

The Chair provided an update on the Christmas decoration reimbursement program that was approved at the previous Grimsby Downtown BIA Meeting, and further, for the creation of a fund for the purchase for Christmas decorations. The Chair also mentioned that the Grimsby Downtown BIA will be delegating to Grimsby Council at their December meeting, asking for additional funding in the 2025 budget.

10. Closed Session

BIA-24-098

Moved by: Daniel Vandersteen Seconded by: Lisa Sproston

Resolved that the Grimsby Downtown BIA meet in closed session under Section 239 (2)(k) of the Municipal Act, where a closed meeting is held for the purpose of a position, plan, procedure, criteria, or instruction to be applied to any negotiations carried on or to be carried on by or on behalf of the municipality or local board, specifically to discuss Christmas decoration request for quotations.

CARRIED

The Grimsby Downtown BIA entered Closed Session at 9:57 a.m.

- 1. Procurement of Christmas Decorations
- 2. Approval of Closed Session Minutes October 9, 2024

BIA-24-099

Moved by: Chris Mindorff Seconded by: Christine Kempf

Resolved that the Grimsby Downtown BIA proceed to open session.

CARRIED

The Grimsby Downtown BIA exited Closed Session at 10:11 a.m.

BIA-24-100

Moved by: Ben Burns Seconded by: Lisa Sproston

Resolved that the Executive Director proceed as directed in closed session.

CARRIED

BIA-24-101

Moved by: Daniel Vandersteen Seconded by: Ben Burns

Resolved that the Closed Session minutes of the October 9, 2024 Grimsby Downtown BIA meeting be approved.

CARRIED

11. New Business

There was no New Business.

12. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 10:18 a.m.