



Caledonia Regional Chamber of Commerce
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
April 6, 2023

Directors:, Suzanne Athanasiou, Joanne Dorr, Larry Fay, Ian Haynes, Chris Hibbs, Dan Lawrence, , Craig Peters, Anne Unyi (ex officio)
Executive: Jessica Lymburner
Guests : Kathy Marshall

1. **Call to Order:** Suzanne Athanasiou called the meeting to order at 8am
2. **Conflict of Interest Declaration:** No conflicts of interest were declared.
3. **Minutes from Previous Meeting:** It was duly moved, seconded and carried to approve the minutes of March 17, 2023.
4. **Correspondence Review:** Special Projects has requested a payment for \$600 to cover half of the annual cleaning bill for the station. It was duly moved, seconded and carried to approve this expense.

TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION:

1. **Haldimand County Updates:** Dan Lawrence – shared that a storyboard is to be created and placed in front of the renamed Barb Martindale Memorial Lane in front of Edinburgh Square.

Jessica Lymburner drafted a letter to MTO for our request to have stop lights installed at Haldibrook Rd, Dan Lawrence will give Jessica the contact information for those he feels is most appropriate to co-sign to strengthen our plea.

2. **Code Of Conduct Review:** Deferred until April 21, 2023

3. Committee Reports

- a. Business Achievement Awards –The event was a success and a committee follow up meeting is planned for next week,
- b. Edinburgh Cup- Dan Lawrence reminded the Directors that the Community Support Services typically hosts a golf tournament in September and to make sure we do not plan a competing event.
- c. Canada Day – Jessica Lymburner received a verbal confirmation of \$ 10,000 from Metroloop to go towards the fireworks expense.,
- d. Tourism- Haldimand County to grant 4k to the Chamber for Summer Tourism and will confirm if this must be used for wages or if funds can be applied to support the program.
- e. Oktoberfest – no updates
- f. Economic Development - no updates
- g. Finance/Succession Planning – Audit ongoing
- h. Caledonia Connected Networking – no updates.
- i. Special Projects - no updates
- j. Nominations - no updates

- k. AGM – Ian Haynes, Brad Armes and Craig Peters will connect to discuss potential offsite locations for the AGM.
- 4. **Grand Trunk Society:** Larry Fay- no updates
- 5. **BIA Updates:** Kathy Marshall – The BIA is hosting their Easter Egg Hunt this weekend.
- 6. **New Business:**
 - a. Jessica Lymburner will be on Holidays- April 23-30
 - b. Temporary Chair required May 5 and June 2 - Craig Peters has accepted.
 - c. The Caledonia Fair board has asked Suzanne for a potential meeting of a few representatives to discuss how the Chamber and the fair can support each other best. A date has not been set.
 - d. The Knights of Columbus are hosting their Chili Cook-off April 22 at Riverside.
- 7. **Adjournment:** The Meeting was adjourned at 9:04 am.