

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF 'DOWNTOWN SUDBURY' (BIA)

Respect Is Burning

Thursday, February 25, 2016

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE BOARD HELD AT 5:30 P.M.

J. MACINTYRE IN THE CHAIR.

PRESENT

B. McCullagh, A. Gilmore, R. Gregorini, K. MacIsaac, A. Vardy, D. McIntosh

REGRETS

J. Browning, D. Brouse, S. Vincent, F. Cormier

ALSO PRESENT

Staff: M. Luoma, Executive Director
B. Kuczma, Program Co-ordinator
M. Leblanc, Member Services/Communications Officer
R. Ward, Bookkeeper

Guests and Downtown Members/Partners

WELCOME

J. MacIntyre welcomed Guests and introduced the Board of Directors and Staff.

BUSINESS PORTION

J. MacIntyre provided a brief overview of the Board's activities and partnerships over 2015, noting further details were outlined in the Annual Report contained in the registration package. He then went through the various elements of the Strategic Plan (contained in the information package), noting that this also includes feedback received from the Member Session held in November.

B. McCullagh was introduced to provide an overview of the proposed 2016 Budget – as contained in the package – and recommended by the Board of Directors. The following resolutions were then presented:

2016 Budget:

AGM-16-01

THAT the General Membership of 'Downtown Sudbury', at the Annual General Meeting held Thursday, February 25, 2016, approves a 2016 Operating Budget of \$510,205, representing a 1.5% increase over the 2015 Operating Budget; **AND FURTHER THAT** this budget and program reflects the Strategic Plan discussions and Member input on activities of the Board including Marketing; Special Events; Development/Design.

CARRIED

Chargeback Reserve:

AGM-16-02

THAT the General Membership of 'Downtown Sudbury' approves maintaining the Chargeback Reserve for 2016, established for the purpose of covering any loss of revenue as a result of loss of assessment.

CARRIED

Special Project Reserve:

AGM-16-03

THAT the General Membership of 'Downtown Sudbury' approves maintaining the Reserve Fund, established in preparation of specific Major Projects in the Downtown.

CARRIED

PROJECT UPDATES

J. MacIntyre introduced the following Guests who provided updates of their respective Downtown projects and events:

- **D. Fortin & Dr. T. Galvin** ... update on the status, growth and development of the **School of Architecture**
- **E. Landry, Senior Planner, City of Greater Sudbury** ... Downtown Master Plan Update (including Tom Davies Square Courtyard redesign and Durham Parkette). Some questions/concerns specific to the loss of parking re Elgin Greenway – and – what are the budget plans for implementation of Master Plan projects ie Elgin Greenway.
- **A. Curry & S. Crispo, Canadian Cancer Society** ... ‘Paint the Downtown Yellow event
- **C. Skelliter & J. Hebert, Launchpad Marketing** ... ‘Downtown Movie Night Under the Stars’ ... in partnership with Downtown Sudbury and Cinefest
- **C. Pelletier & J. McKerral, We Live Up Here** ... ‘Up Here’
- **P. Debuc, Greater Sudbury Library & C. Skelliter, Launchpad Marketing** ... ‘Graphic-Con’
- **R. Danard, ReThink Green** ... ‘Earth Day’ – and – ‘Green Economy North’
- **K. Kanmacher & K. MacIsaac, YMCA** ... ‘Strong Kids Campaign’
- **B. Deisinger, All About Massage** ... Member Coffee Chats
- **Mayor Brian Bigger**

J. MacIntyre also provided an overview of an upcoming project – ‘Expressing Vibrancy’ – noting that this is a data collection project that will provide information to support various projects and activities. A Member session will be scheduled for late April/early May that will have more information available as well as how members can become involved.

CLOSING REMARKS

J. MacIntyre thanked the Presenters, Members and Guests for attending and noted that the Board is looking forward to a very positive and exciting 2016.

Guests were invited to `network`, and enjoy the refreshments from Respect Is Burning.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further matters to discuss at this time, this meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Chair

Executive Director