

South Bruce Community & Business Association Serving the Municipality of South Bruce



South Bruce Community Business Association May 9, 2016 at Gay Lea

Those present for the meeting Elaine Fischer, Dianne Harrison, Kathy Evans, Mark Goetz, Joe Hoffarth, Les Nichols, Adam Ireland, Nic Wise & Shirley Kuntz

Adam welcomed everyone to the meeting. Dianne Harrison has 1 year contract with Municipality. She is with the economic development of South Bruce.

Treasurers' Report- Elaine we have 3 more members to collect from yet.

Membership report- Kathy there is 69 members this year, had 67 last year—lost 5 and gained 5 new members this year. Have 8 paid business cards—2 empty spaces so Peter to put in about advertising a web page. Printing 2500 directories cost \$870.00- missing 2 ads this year Shirley reported of a new business – Craig Bross Construction and asked if it could go on the directory and Peter was able to do this.

Elaine asked for a budget of \$200.00 to make another poster—Les made a motion for Elaine to get another poster made for whatever needs to be spent on this Seconded by Kathy—All in favour Would like to put in the store fronts in Mildmay. Work with Chamber in Mildmay put signs in windows. Nic to talk to Paul and look at Walkertons first before we go ahead.

Municipal report—Mark reported Council has hired a operations manager- Gary Pipe has been hired for the job. A good meeting at Council with Adam's presentation. Now suggest we write a letter to the Premier—Mapping to cost between 40 and 80 thousand dollars. This would be the municipality's cost.

Always go before council with a delegation. This is the right process.

This group has to decide what we are going to push—we support a letter to the premier—take a position on mapping. Going to need a better process on how the mapping is done (OFA person) we have to support the mapping—No idea when the time line is for the mapping. Everyone agreed to talk more next month.

Adam to look into writing a letter. Suggested about the history of creamery, oldest in Ontario, largest employer in South Bruce.

Old Business: SVCA Update- Les has a couple of issues – going to look into this and follow up on this. Adam to talk to Pete Inglis also.

Next General Meeting June or July

Bruce County developer economic development work together with other municipalities under county level. Dianne working with them now. Always go through Dianne first—programs to go to council tomorrow night. South Bruce – Agricultural level—Tourism—Nuclear Refurbishment—more focus in 2017 in agriculture. There are lots of programs –getting money for agriculture programs in South Bruce. Everything go through Dianne first – she has the contacts.

Discussion on Municipal property for sale- the update on development.

Ag Focused development officer—Dianne bringing in some programs

Adam meeting on May 12 with Michael Barrett

Reaching out to Corporate entities- offices outside of South Bruce

Business of the month- write up—Kathy get a list of questions, free membership and paying new members

Website services—a banner across the bottom of the directory on this for Peter.

High Speed Internet— next meeting

New Business –none at this time

Next meeting Monday June 13 at Harley's in Mildmay at 7am. Try to get some Chamber members to attend this meeting.

Adjournment- Shirley

Signature of Officers approval Chair

Secretary