

South Bruce community Business Association August 8, 2016

The meeting was held at Harley's Pub & Perk, Mildmay Nic chaired the meeting

Those present for the meeting—Nic Wise, Dale Loughheed, Kathy Evans, Joe Hoffarth, Diane Harrison, Les Nichols & Shirley Kuntz

Approval of the minutes from July meeting- Kathy made a motion to accept the minutes as circulated seconded by Les

Treasurers report—Elaine—directory paid, 2 big sign made, 2 memberships fee not paid yet. Lots directories left over, cost 61 cents including postage- 70 members in all—58 paid businesses, 9 service clubs and 3 free members Elaine to get postage money to Shirley for directories mailed at Formosa Post Office.

Municipal report—Mark- no report this month

Tourism report—Shirley or Les-- attendance was way down this year at the appreciation night

Old business— a. Commercial land in South Bruce

- I. Dana Keifer, County Planner, is on maternity leave now replacement Brianne LeBute is still getting up to speed
- II. Council still trying to resolve issues

b. Store front exposure in Mildmay- postponed till September

c. 2016 Action update

i. Ag Focused development officer-- County has hired Economic Development office who will focus on ag, SBCBA will plan for a meeting with them in the fall

ii. Reaching out to Corporate entities-- any to add to the list Wightman (Clifford) Home Hardware (St Jacobs)

iii. Business of the month – Tall Paul Decorating is on site right now

iv. Website services (Evans Computer Service) all up and going the directories just went out so nothing extra yet

v. High Speed internet—Wightman will not provide their map. Proprietary information. Need tenders, trench work, very protective of the information that is given out. Swift initiative –Diane to keep us informed.

New Business—Local Food Event Aug. 14 at Elmwood 3 beers, Hoity Toity and Stratford (Mike Heisz)

Ace Towing- no property yet—environmental issues to these properties, development big issues, permits, water, sewers, civil engineers etc.

South Bruce have commercial property but nothing ready to go (service in) needs to be ready. Big problem What are we here to do (SBCBA). Can not attract new business no land available. Making aware the issues, council financial – no money to develop (No sign on property) . Don't forget Bruce Power committed 20 years.

Trail off the dam after it is taken down. Trail along highway maybe bike trail. Talk to Tourism and Chamber. Diane to look into this.

Joe going to put Harleys on snowmobile trail map. More money on snow, snowmobiling great when it happens.

Kathy to look after a display at Teeswater Fall Fair with Tourism—Les and Mary to take down on Sunday.

Next meeting Sept. 12 at GayLea board room at 7:00 am