Community Improvement Committee Meeting Minutes

August 7, 2018 at 6:30 pm

Location: Best Western Plus

Voting Members

Brian Folmer - Chairman Present Chris Oberle – Councilor **Absent** Susan Wright - EDC **Absent** Racheal Bye – BIA Absent Wayne Poechman – Optimist Club Present Ken Chandler – Fisheries Task Force Absent Kim Schaab – Kinsmen/Kinettes Present Bonne Park-Rotary Club Absent Eric McDougall – Recreation Department Present Kathleen Arseneau – Community Development Coordinator/Sec. Present

Non-Voting Members

Bonnie Petro

Others Present

1. Call to Order

1.1 Call to order at 6:35pm

2. Acceptance of Agenda

Motion CIC-33

Moved by K. Schaab. Seconded by W. Poechman.

That the Community Improvement Committee hereby accept the agenda as presented. Carried

3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof

None

4. Approval of July 10, 2018 Minutes

Motion CIC-34

Moved by B. Folmer. Seconded by K. Schaab.

That the Community Improvement Committee hereby approve the July 10, 2018 minutes.

Carried

5. Business Arising from Minutes

New Business

6.1 Five Year plan 2019-2023

B. Folmer, K. Arseneau, S Watson met with Paul McGrath and Jenelle Bannon from Spruce the Bruce. Together they completed the Spruce the Bruce Report Card. Paul Asked that the committee complete a 5 year plan. K. Arseneau noted that the plan should be completed before budget deliberations of the new council. K. Arseneau also noted that the municipality will place forth a planning application to expand Walkerton's CIP area. K. Arseneau noted that the 5 year plan should reflect projects with the expanded CIP. Committee discussed the expansion of the CIP throughout Brockton, and K. Arseneau noted that this will be part of the application to the planning department at Bruce County. Committee requested a timeline, staff was unsure of timing.

7. Project Updates

7.1 Christmas Lights

56 Christmas lights were ordered after the CIC June meeting. The Golf Fundraiser raised \$440, and received two light sponsorships through the BIA's sponsor a light campaign.

7.2 Fish Rest Stations

Three fish stations have been installed.

7.3 Optimist Park

The CIP needs to be expanded to benefit from the Spruce the Bruce grant. E. McDougall has prepared a Report to Council for the August 27 Council meeting to request a loan to purchase the park equipment. The CFO has prepared a MOU between the Municipality and the Optimist Club. The Loan will be over four years. The CIC was unsuccessful in receiving funds from the FCC AgriSpirit Fund. E. Committee decided to install a drinking fountain and order benches for the park in 2017.

7.4 Water Tower

K. Arseneau is monitoring the progress of this project. Contractors should be starting soon.

8. Service Club Updates

8.1 Fisheries Task Force

Projects are progressing.

8.2 Kinsmen and Kinettes

Kinsmen hosting wing night every last Friday of the month. Kinettes had a successful Dinner on Durham. Funds are going towards the Soccer Fields.

8.3 Walkerton BIA

Golf Fundraisers were held on Ladies night on July 24 and Men's Night on July 26th. Sponsor a Light Campaign is now underway.

8.4 Optimist Club

Group is organizing Dirt Pigs Tournament, and preparing the Halloween Bash

8.5 Rotary Club

On holidays for the summer. At their last meeting, they displayed the River Trail sign options. The Club is putting this project on hold until further discussion.

8.6 Horticultural Society

Bridge planters are installed.

8.7 Council Update

Nominations are closed for the 2019 election.

8.8 Community Development Coordinator

K. Arseneau is leaving her position as the Community Development Coordinator. The job posting is closing on August 10, 2018. The Municipality held the BR+E Task Force Retreat on July 10 where the survey results were displayed. The retreat focused on developing action plans for the community. Four themes came from the BR+E surveys as priorities to address, and they were Communication, Population Growth, Business Attraction and Amenities. Some Action plans are already being addressed. Staff are currently finalizing the report. The report will be presented at a public

meeting to Council. K. Arseneau will see this project through as it is difficult to hand off. Through the branding project, the municipality has just closed a still photography RFQ and has contracted a videographer to film a Brockton video.

Committee suggested to contact Heather Keuneman to use the song created for the

Walkerton Homecoming called Shenanigans.

Committee thanked K. Arseneau for all her work. K. Arseneau requested B. Folmer contact her replacement to bring them up to speed on projects.

9. Next Meeting

Scheduled for October 2, 2018

10. Adjournment

Motion CIC-35

Moved by W. Poechman. Seconded by E. McDougall.

That the Community Improvement Committee hereby adjourn the meeting at 7:36 pm.

Carried