

Community Improvement Committee Meeting Notes

December 13, 2018

Location: BIA office

Voting Members

Brian Folmer – Chairman	Present
Chris Oberle – Councilor	Present
Susan Wright – EDC	Absent
Racheal Bye – BIA	Present
Wayne Poechman – Optimist Club	.Present
Kim Schaab – Kinsmen/Kinettes	Present
Paul Kueneman – Rotary Club	.Absent
Eric McDougall – Recreation Department	Absent
Paulette Peirol – Community Development Coordinator/Sec.	Present

Non-Voting Members

Bonnie Petro	Absent.
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Others Present

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

2. Acceptance of Agenda

Motion to accept. Moved by R Bye, Seconded by K. Schaab that the December 13, 2018 agenda be accepted as presented.

3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof

None declared

4. Approval of October and November 2018 Minutes

Motion to approve the October 2018 Minutes and November 2018 notes of the Community Improvement Committee. Moved by C. Oberle, seconded by R Bye.
Approved

4.1 Business Arising from Minutes

None

5. New Business

5.1 Projects & Budget for 2019

Committee chairman B. Folmer updated the committee about all 9 CIC projects planned for 2019, as outlined in the proposed CIC budget that will be presented to Council in January, 2019. He said he had had promising discussions with Brockton CAO Sonya Watson about support for the committee's initiatives.

The projects discussed by committee members included:

- Water drop sculpture for Optimist Park
- Storefront display to encourage businesses to locate in vacant downtown spots
- Interactive canoe sculpture for the pavilion park, which K. Schaab is involved in designing
- Pedestrian crosswalks branded with the Walkerton logo. (The crosswalks are being repaved under a Streetscape Revitalization Grant)
- Winter Banners to replace the older ones that are in poor shape downtown
- New Walkerton Community Centre sign
- Improved boat launch at Lobies Park
- Furniture for pavilion park (picnic tables, trash cans and recycle bins)
- New Walkerton Coming Events Signs.

The total value of the proposed projects is \$118,900, with \$32,500 being requested through the Spruce the Bruce program and \$24,350 from the Municipality of Brockton.

R. Bye, B. Folmer, E McDougall W. Poechman and P. Peirol will be involved in applying for Spruce the Bruce funding for these projects as soon as the programs open for 2019.

The 2018 Spruce the Bruce report was received for information, and it was noted that Walkerton received the most grants last year, a total of 6.

5.2 Transfer of additional CIC funds to Optimist Park

The committee agreed to the transfer of remaining 2018 CIC funds to the Optimist Park project.

5.3 Roger Brooks Followup

P. Peirol notified the committee that free memberships for 2019 were available to join the Destination Marketing organization headed by marketing expert Roger Brooks.

6. Project Updates

6.1 Christmas Lights:

6.2 Water Tower

7. Service Club Updates

7.1 Fisheries Task Force

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7.2 Kinsmen and Kinettes

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7.3 Walkerton BIA

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7.4 Optimist Club

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7.5 Rotary Club

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7.6 Horticultural Society

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7.7 Council Update

.C. Oberle updated the committee about upcoming budget deliberations.

7.8 Community Development Coordinator

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8. Next Meeting

Scheduled for Tuesday, February 5, 2019.

9. Adjournment

9.1 Motion to adjourn. Moved by K. Schaab, seconded by R. Bye.