

Directors: Brad Armes, Suzanne Athanasiou, Stacie Blakey, Joanne Dorr, Janice Doyle, Mike Estey, Larry Fay, Steve Hayward, Dan Lawrence, Ken Parr, Craig Peters, Randy Peirson, Anne Unyi (ex officio) Administrative: Heather Mastromatteo Guests:

- 1. Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 8:02 A.M.
- 2. Conflict of Interest Declaration
- 3. **Minutes from Previous Meeting**: It was motion, moved and unanimously voted to approve the minutes of January 17, 2025.
- 4. Correspondence Review: Update was given on Forge and Ti-Cats events and business advantage programs running for this year. We will advertise them accordingly.

TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION:

- 1) **Membership Updates:** There are 3 current businesses not renewing for this year, updated on those businesses. There are still a few outstanding that we will continue to contact.
- 2) Events:
 - a) **Networking Events**: A schedule was circulated for the rest of the year. The directors are to let Administration know if there are any conflicts. March 7 is confirmed at Hammer Hogs, April 8 is our next after 5 sponsored by Forge/Ti-cats, we will confirm the Legion again.
 - b) **Business Achievement Awards Update:** Update was had on needing a Tourism award sponsor still. Administration asked for the directors to share Facebook posts and to nominate businesses.
 - c) Golf Tournament: Deferred
 - d) **Canada Day Update:** The BIA is the lead organization to help with Canada Day. There will be other organizations involved taking over different areas of the event.
- 3) Financial Update: Deferred
- 4) Haldimand County Updates: Ward boundary review has happened, and Caledonia will have 2 seats at the table. Fire hall update; starting to move things inside in March. Still no movement on the bridge being replaced. Some maintenance has been done on the Douglas Creek ditches and drains. By-election is April 10th to fill current vacancies.
- 5) Special Projects Updates: Clark AG is plowing the train station the remainder of the year.
- 6) **New Business:** Moving forward there will be e-mail communication in between meetings as needed. Next meeting date is set for March 21st.
- 7) Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 9:08 A.M.

NEXT MEETINGS & Events

March 7- Business Breakfast March 26 – CRCC Annual Business Achievement Awards