

AGENDA  
BLYTH BIA BOARD MEETING  
BLYTH MEMORIAL COMMUNITY HALL  
WEDNESDAY, May 4, 2016 AT 8:00 A.M.

Board Members Present:

Rick Elliot  
Averly Kikkert  
Deb Shouldice  
Gary Vanleewen  
Cat O'Donnell  
Irene Kellins  
Lissa Kolkman  
Crystal Taylor  
Bill Knott

Others in Attendance:

Connie Goodall, North Huron Economic Development Officer  
Brenda Nyveld, The Citizen

Call to Order, Welcome & Opening Remarks

Chair Rick Elliott called the meeting to order at 8:05 am. and welcomed everyone.

Declaration of Pecuniary Interests – None declared

Adoption of the Agenda

**MOTION: BBIA31/16**

MOVED: Gary Vanleewen

SECONDED: Irene Kellins

*That the Blyth BIA Board hereby adopts the Agenda as presented.*

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

Delegations/Invited Guests – None in Attendance

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

**MOTION: BBIA32/16**

Moved: Cat O'Donnell

SECONDED: Gary Vanleewen

*That the Blyth BIA hereby adopts the Minutes of the Board Meeting held April 6<sup>th</sup>, as amended.*

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

## Treasurer's Report

### (a) Adoption of Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Gary Vanleeuwen stated it had been a slow month. Chair Rick Elliott presented a letter he had received in regards to the previously used BBIA website domain.

### **MOTION: 33/16**

MOVED: Gary Vanleeuwen

SECONDED: Cat O'Donnell

*That the Blyth BIA Board will hereby pay the fee to maintain control over the blythbia.org website for another year.*

DISPOSITION: Motion Carried

## Business Arising From Previous Meetings

### a) Stops Along the Way

Cat O'Donnell and Brenda Nyveld will complete the ad immediately after the meeting.

## Correspondence

### (a) OBIAA – April Newsletter – forwarded to members

## Committee Reports

### (a) Streetfest – Minutes attached

Rick Elliott stated that the committee has been working hard, and reminded the board that the car show has been canceled.

### (b) Friends of the Village

Lissaa Kolkman stated that the group has had their first work day, and have cleaned up the gardens/parks. They've also begun to organize gardening plans for this summer. The group is looking for hostas from the community to plan in the gardens. The next meeting will be held on May 30<sup>th</sup>.

### (c) Witches Walk

Rick Elliott advised that he has been in contact with Bev Blair, and at this point they have not made their decision.

## North Huron Economic Development Officer's Report

Connie Goodall advised that North Huron's summer student is scheduled to begin soon. North Huron is preparing Campers Packages for the participants at campground events, and Blyth businesses are asked to forward information to the Economic Development Department before the scheduled dates.

Following a discussion about community events awareness, Connie Goodall presented a calendar that contains a list of local events during the next three months. It was suggested to form a committee to contact local business owners and pursue a way to publish this event calendar to the community. It was decided that Connie Goodall and Averly Kikkert will continue working on this project, and to discuss it further at the next meeting. Board members were encouraged to spread news about coming events as well as encourage locals to watch for event announcements.

Discussion was had about Huron East offering a new business opportunity in Vanasta, with the rent paid for during the first year. It was suggested that it would be a good idea for Blyth to look into doing something similar. After discussion, the board decided it would be beneficial to look at costs and speak with North Huron to determine if it is a possibility for Blyth to do in the future.

## North Huron Council Report

Councillor Bill Knott stated that North Huron has signed a shared service agreement with Morris-Turnberry. A Director of Public Works has been hired, and he will begin working on road repair needs, as well as determining road repair priorities.

## New Business

- (a) Blyth's 140<sup>th</sup> Anniversary – 2017. Community meeting scheduled for Monday, May 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm. At the Royal Canadian Legion in Blyth.

Chair Rick Elliott encouraged everyone to invite community groups as well as locals to attend the meeting.

- b) Habitat to Humanity

Treasurer Gary Vanleeuwen advised that Habitat to Humanity has found a building location, and is working on finalizing the paperwork. He stated that they will be looking for volunteer support.

## Coming Events

- (a) Student Art show – April 28<sup>th</sup> – May 19<sup>th</sup> - Bainton Gallery
- (b) Powerhouse Dance Recital – May 7<sup>th</sup> – Blyth Memorial Hall
- (c) Legion Bingo – May 10<sup>th</sup> – Blyth Memorial Hall
- (d) Hullett Public School Spring Concert – May 11<sup>th</sup> – Blyth Memorial Hall
- (e) CKNX Healthcare Heroes Radiothon – May 12<sup>th</sup>
- (f) Patsy Cline Tribute Show - May 13<sup>th</sup> – Blyth Memorial Hall
- (g) Dance Techniques Dance Recital – May 14<sup>th</sup> – Blyth Memorial Hall
- (h) Adam Graeme Comedy Stage Hypnotist Show – May 15<sup>th</sup> – Blyth Memorial Hall
- (i) Airstream Club – May 16<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> – Blyth Campgrounds
- (j) Blyth Festival Volunteer Appreciation Dinner – May 16<sup>th</sup> – Blyth Memorial Hall
- (k) Blyth Festival Volunteer Orientation – May 16<sup>th</sup>
- (l) Community Art Show – May 21<sup>st</sup> – June 11<sup>th</sup> – Bainton Art Gallery
- (m) Blyth Festival Rehearsals begin – May 24<sup>th</sup> – Blyth Memorial Hall
- (n) Spring OPA Campout – May 26<sup>th</sup> -29<sup>th</sup> – Blyth Campgrounds
- (o) CKNX Barndance Jamboree & Campout – May 26<sup>th</sup>–29<sup>th</sup> - Blyth Campgrounds
- (p) Book intake & Sale setup – May 30<sup>th</sup> – June 1<sup>st</sup> – Blyth Memorial Hall
- (q) Blyth Festival Annual Used Book Sale – June 2<sup>nd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> – Blyth Memorial Hall
- (r) Alice Munro Festival – June 2<sup>nd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup>
- (s) CKNX & Actors' Fund Night – June 15<sup>th</sup> – Blyth Memorial Hall
- (t) Blyth Festival Gala Opening Night – June 17<sup>th</sup>
- (u) Wendy Orr Exhibit – June 17<sup>th</sup> – July 9<sup>th</sup> – Bainton Art Gallery
- (v) Madeleine Roske, Elfi Enns, Jane Styker Art Exhibit – July 15<sup>th</sup> – August 6<sup>th</sup> – Bainton Art Gallery
- (w) NSDCA (Square Dancing) July 29<sup>th</sup> – August 1<sup>st</sup> – Blyth Campgrounds
- (x) Montian Hussey Exhibit – August 12<sup>th</sup> - September 3<sup>rd</sup> – Bainton Art Gallery
- (y) Thresher's – September 3<sup>rd</sup> -17<sup>th</sup> – Blyth Campgrounds
- (z) Rural to Rural Conference – September, 2016

Motion to adjourn – Irene

Next Meeting – Wednesday, June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2016, 8:00 a.m.

Adjournment

**MOTION: BBIA34/16**

Moved: Irene Kellins

*That there be no further business before the Blyth BIA Board, the meeting be hereby adjourned at 8:57 am.*

DISPOSITION: Motion carried

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Rick Elliott, Chairperson

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Averly Kikkert, Secretary