

TDIA MEETING MINUTES
July 27, 2021
12:00 – 1:30 pm
4623 Park Avenue, Terrace, B. C.

1. Call to Order 12 Noon

Present:

Bert Husband

Gerry Martin

Alex Pietralla

Gary Jackson

Polly Rudderham

Lael McKeown (chaired meeting)

With Regrets:

Jason Braid

Connie Yasinchuk

Liz Smaha (Joined briefly by zoom)

Dave Gordon, City Council Liaison

2. Acceptance of Agenda

Moved/Seconded: Bert/Gerry

3. Acceptance of Minutes of June 30, 2021 Meeting

Moved/Seconded: Bert/Polly

4. Treasurer's Report

No report available.

The meeting agreed that a more informative report should be available for the directors and for posting on the website. Information should include budget, expenditures, commitments for each line item.

Action: Connie/Lael

5. City Council Liaison Report

Discussion was held regarding newly commissioned security firm for the downtown and whether they had the qualifications needed. It was felt that the town needed more foot patrols with closer engagement.

Liz Smaha joined the meeting by Zoom and spoke to an email sent by her as Executive Director of Kermodei Tourism to Deklan Corstanje and Kris Boland asking for an in camera meeting between Mayor and Council and the business community. This would give the business community an opportunity to speak freely to Council about the deterioration of the downtown core, how it is impacting the community and how it is impacting businesses.

Action: Liz

Dave reported on the requirement to build bathrooms/showers to accompany the water park within 60 meters of the park. Anticipated cost of \$300 - \$400 K

City staff has decided to put the Portland Loo on Lakelse Avenue near Kalum Street
There was deep concern not only on the location of this facility but the fact that there was no consultation with TDIA.

Action: Write letter to Council asking them to wait for the Harry Measure Report before the final location is agreed to, and also
Request that TDIA be included in decisions impacting the TDIA area
Alex

Discussion was held on the location of the “Wings” sculpture. TDIA will ask for a position on the Public Art Advisory Committee for Polly

Action: Polly to talk to Jack

Dave suggested that consideration be given to the empty sign located on Scott Walkers property at the east entrance to town. Could this be a “welcome to Terrace” sign

Action: Polly to take a look at it

6. TDIA Committee Reports

Downtown Murals and Sculptures

Remax mural by Casey Braam completed

Others scheduled: Back of the Dental and BBA buildings on Park Avenue (Casey Braam), Beyond Burgers (Michelle Stoney), Your Décor (Rod Brown), Kermode Friendship Society, Northern Health Authority (Michelle Stoney), and possibly tennis courts wall by Roy Vickers.

NDIT Façade Grant

Applications have been received from the Dental Building, Remax and Beyond Burgers.

Action: Jason and Polly to coordinate with Ken Newman

Security Grant

Nothing

4600 Revitalization

Polly has been in communication with Harry Measure

Their report is due shortly

They have expanded the scope to include the Days Inn (at no extra cost)

Mark McKee, Mayor of Revelstoke, has volunteered to come to Terrace to speak to Council on the importance of revitalization initiatives. It was agreed that TDIA could support his travel expenses.

It was agreed that we should bring this report to Council asap in order for them to make downtown revitalization a priority next year.

Action: once received, the report is to be delivered to the directors.
 A meeting to be scheduled to discuss Jason

Brolly Square

The City has not called Imperial Oil yet.

Action: Urge Ken Newman to make this call asap Jason

Data Base, Google Drive, Website, FaceBook

Liz has content to bring website up to date

Alex has started to organize Google Drive. He will prepare an "Introduction to Google Drive" for the Directors

Alex and Liz to work together on FaceBook

Action: Liz and Alex

7. Other Items/ Business Arising

New Director

It was discussed and agreed to by the meeting that Noman Khan, Hotel Manager of the Days Inn, be asked to become a Director.

Action: Polly to talk to Noman

Riverboat Days

\$3,000 to support Concerts in the Park

\$2,000 to support Basketball Tournament

This was agreed to by the directors by email

Request from City for Love Terrace initiative

Action: Liz to provide details.

Annual General Meeting

Date: Wednesday, October 6

Location: Suggestion of Day's Inn

Action: Polly to talk to Noman

Budget

Action: To be prepared by Jason

TDIA Bylaw

This Bylaw expires in December 31, 2021. Term is usually for five years,

Action: Alex to review Bylaw and suggest any changes.

Discussion held on whether to expand to include the proposed distillery.

Action: Lael to talk to Travis Murphy

Gerry announced that he is leaving Terrace and will no longer be a Director.

TDIA would like to thank Gerry for his many valuable contributions to this organization.

Meeting Adjourned: 1:30 pm