

Westdale Village BIA AGM Meeting Minutes

Date & Time: Wednesday, November 10, 2021 @ 7:00pm **Location:** Westdale Theatre

Present (BIA Members): David Simpson (Chair), Anita Shilliday (Pace), Donna Bacher (Pure Realty), Ilona (Casual Gourmet), Judy (Judy Marsales), George Loumanis (& son in law) (Shoppers), Mike (Burnt Tongue), Mamdouh Dahab (Basilique), Tracy MacKinnon (Executive Director -recording)
Via ZOOM – Chris (Paisley Coffeehouse), Julia (City of Hamilton)

Present (Guests): City of Hamilton – Julia Davis (via Zoom) **Regrets:** Councillor Maureen Wilson, Robert Crockford

Declared Conflicts of Interest: none

1. Call to order at 7:12pm because of technical difficulties. David Simpson as Chair.
Welcome & Introductions. David Simpson (Chair and BIA Board member for ~25 years!) welcomed everyone, introduced guests and Board of the Westdale Village BIA.
2. New Business. None.
3. Approval of Agenda.
Motion to approve Agenda. Moved by Donna Bacher, seconded by Anita Shilliday. Carried.
4. Declarations of Pecuniary Interest – None.
5. Approval of minutes from November 11, 2020 AGM.
Moved by Donna Bacher, seconded by Anita Shilliday. Carried.
6. City of Hamilton – Regrets from Councillor Wilson - attending City Council meeting tonight
 - COVID-19 - City resources and information: <https://www.hamilton.ca/coronavirus>
 - Parking – new pay with app, increasing use of app
 - Garbage containers & increased pick-up to twice daily pick-up M-S.
 - Sewers - all Westdale Village catch basin were cleaned out in 2020
 - Patios - Program continuing until October 2022. Councillor Wilson very supportive.
 - Roads - Paving and road improvements in Westdale neighborhood continuing through 2022.
 - Sidewalk snow clearing by City being reviewed
 - Westdale Village BIA has a very supportive representative in Councillor Maureen Wilson
7. Chair David Simpson. Provided a summary of activities of the Board and a general overview of the BIA.
8. Executive Director Tracy MacKinnon. Provided a review of activities and projects of BIA from 2022 and look ahead at rest of 2022 and 2023.
9. Proposed 2019 Budget – member input: Anita Shilliday (Treasurer)
Motion to approve budget with a \$125000 levy.
Moved by Anita Shilliday, seconded by Donna Bacher. Carried.
10. City of Hamilton – Julia Davis: Business Development & BIA Officer, Economic Development Division
 - Review of City of Hamilton support and programs for BIA members
 - Commercial Property Improvement Grant – apply before you start work, matching funds.
 - Digital Main Street Grants available for \$2500 to BIA businesses
 - Hamilton BIAAC (all City BIAs) meets monthly
 - Julia Davis always happy to assist/respond to BIA inquiries julia.davis@hamilton.ca
11. Other Business:
 - Discussion and a appreciation for activities of the BIA.
12. Adjournment. **Motion to adjourn. Moved by Mamdouh Dahab. Carried.** Meeting adjourned at 8:32pm.