Westdale Village BIA
AGM Meeting Minutes

Date & Time: Wednesday, November 10, 2025 @ 6:30pm **Location:** Alterna Savings
Present (BIA Members): David Simpson (Chair), Anita Shilliday (Alterna), Jordan (Snooty Fox), Paul (Cupcakes of Westdale), Lila Schapp (Take Note), Shawna Lockley (Take Note), Jacob Koenig (Real Fruity Ice Cream), Joe Gravina (West Side Hair Co), Albert Snow (Albert Snow/1938 Hair Studio), Bernadette Curtis (Westdale Theatre), Mohammad Emami (Nannaa's Eatery), Tracy MacKinnon (ED)
Present (Guests): City of Hamilton – Cristina Geissler (EcDev), Stephanie Hilson (Councillor's office)
Regrets: Ilona Santa, Quintin Wang, Councillor Wilson
Declared Conflicts of Interest: none
The Westdale Village BIA celebrated it's 40th anniversary honouring the early members of the Westdale Village BIA, who contributed much to build Westdale Village.
James Simpson, Albert Snow, Michael Gravina, Ray Fazakis, Bruce Simpson (community & arts)
With appreciation.

1. Call to order at 6:48pm because of 40th anniversary celebration and presentation of plaques.
   David Simpson as Chair. Welcome & Introductions. David Simpson 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 Anita, seconded by Paul. Carried.
4. Declarations of Pecuniary Interest – None.
5. Approval of minutes from November 2024 AGM.
   Moved by Paul, seconded by Anita Shilliday. Carried.
6. City of Hamilton – Councillor Wilson - attending a conference
   - City of Hamilton items updated for members including patios, big trees, garbage and recycling, development, Churchill Park.

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 2025 and look ahead at rest of 2025 and 2026 including patios, lights, events, theatre,

9. Proposed 2026 Budget: Anita Shilliday (Treasurer) Presented by Anita for explanation and discussion.
   Motion to receive budget.
   Moved by Anita Shilliday, seconded by Paul. Carried.

10. City of Hamilton – Cristina Geissler: 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.

11. Other Business:
    - Discussion and appreciation for activities of the BIA.

12. Adjournment. ***Motion to adjourn. Moved by Anita. Carried.*** Meeting adjourned at 7:56pm.