

## Call to Order

An Executive Meeting of Strathroy's BIA was held on Tuesday, October 8th, 2024 at 8:30am, at City Hall with Zoom option.

## <u>Invitees</u>

Colin Grantham	✓ Frank Kennes	✓ Nathan Wilcox	✓ Daniel Kiekens
✓ Sue Looman	Kaity Phillips	✓ Courtney Sinclair	✓ Chris Traczuk
Meredith Chatelain	Katelyn Cody	✓ Heather Lalonde	

### Regrets:

- Katelyn Cody
- Kaity Phillips

## **Guests:**

## Main Motions/Upcoming Actions:

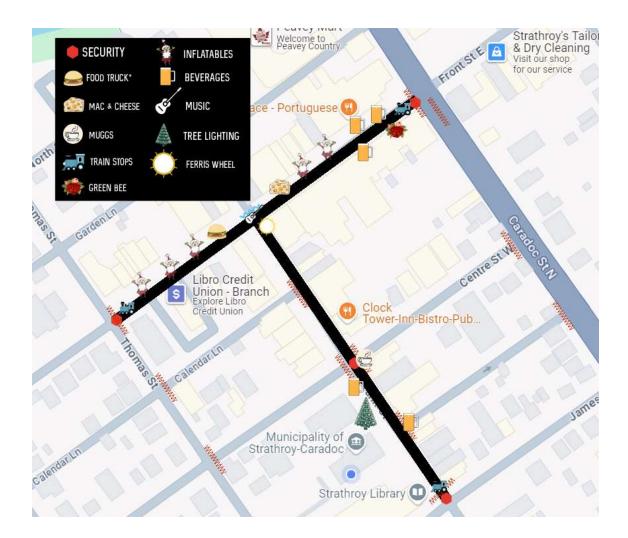
Motion:	Update/Next Steps:	Motion to Approve:	Second Approver:	Voted:
Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes	A motion will be made to approve the minutes of the Tuesday, September 10th, 2024	Sue	Chris	Approved
2024-10-01	Executive meetings.			

# Officer's Reports

Motion:	Update/Next Steps:	Motion to Approve:	Second Approver:	Voted:
1. FINANCE Sue Looman 2024-10-02	<ul> <li>TREASURERS REPORT</li> <li>Interest income from reserve account</li> <li>Paid expenses for Go Daddy and .ca domain, and Microsoft 365 essentials</li> <li>Beautification grant - Ukrainian Perogies and Cookie Bar paid</li> <li>Waiting on September invoice from BIA Coordinator</li> <li>Waiting for 2 receivables for merchant CTV</li> </ul>	Chris Chris	Frank Dan	Approved Approved
2024-10-03	<ul> <li>video productions</li> <li>Approval to hire a new BIA Coordinator</li> <li>\$25/hour for 20 hours max/week</li> </ul>			

2. PROMOTIONS Chris Traczuk & Dan Kiekens	Hometown Christmas - Nov 29th - (Vendors on Frank, activities on Front) - see map below         • To purchase a Christmas Bench         • Funding Santa, Anna, and Elsa for photo ops         • Keep the "Lights On" Grant - \$200 per business (50 available)         • Create a shop hop map of guaranteed businesses open - application due by Oct 31st so signage can be created	N/A	N/A	N/A
3. BEAUTIFICATION Kaity Phillips & Nathan Wilcox	Plant order for Summer 2025     Not doing bridge planters     Making changes to plant varieties	N/A	N/A	N/A
4. COMMUNICATIONS Meredith Chatelain/Katelyn Cody	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
5. BUSINESS ADVOCACY Courtney Sinclair & Nathan Wilcox	Tues Oct 29th, 6:30 at the Duke Give BIA an opportunity to submit questions/comments before the meeting if they cannot make it To ask BIA members to provide input on how to move forward with BIA board Sidewalk water concerns from SKIL Dojo Any updates?	N/A	N/A	N/A
6. SECURITY Dan Kiekens	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

Upcoming Discussions/Parking Lot:	Update/Next Steps:
Coordinator Position	<ul> <li>Katelyn has resigned, to hire a new coordinator</li> <li>Approval to hire a new BIA Coordinator</li> <li>\$25/hour for 20 hours max/week</li> </ul>
Relevant Municipal Updates	<ul> <li>Garbage Can Update - will be in place for Spring 2025</li> <li>Big Dig Official Statement Update         <ul> <li>Statement timeline?</li> <li>Suggested to have a full time coordinator available for this project</li> </ul> </li> <li>Signage at corner of Caradoc and Front - TBD</li> <li>Free Fire Extinguisher Training offered Sept 25th</li> <li>Small Business appreciation breakfast - Oct 22nd</li> </ul>
New Brand Launch	New commercial template in on CTV
Transition Planning and Board Recruitment - <i>Parked</i>	TBD
OBIAA (Ontario Business Improvement Area Association) - <i>Parked</i>	\$281.01 annual fee - Parking lot • If we pay for this - do you have the resources to use this?
Event Recaps/Upcoming Projects - Parked	Mural Project - PROJECT ON HOLD <a href="https://www.railwaycitytourism.com/murals.html">https://www.railwaycitytourism.com/murals.html</a> <a href="https://www.andrewgunnconsulting.ca/">https://www.andrewgunnconsulting.ca/</a> <a href="https://www.andrewgunnconsulting.ca/">Put "beautification" expenses towards beautification grants - 20 @ \$250 = 5K</a>



# New Business's In/Business's Out of Area N/A

### **Upcoming Meetings:**

Board Meeting - Tuesday, November 12th, 8:30am

#### Motion to Adjourn

09:48am - Motion - 2024-10-04 - Chris, seconded by Sue, Approved