



**LESLIEVILLE BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT AREA
MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

Monday, January 15, 2018

7:00 P.M.

**Chartwell Avondale Retirement Residence
1238 Queen St. E.**

LESLIEVILLE BIA BOARD MEMBERS:

PRESENT

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| Andrew Sherbin | Chair |
| Jennifer Orenstein | Treasurer |
| Ara Mamourian | Director |
| Christiane Tetreault | Director |
| Lucas DiGiovanni | Director |
| James Lane | Director |
| Tracy Kelly | Director |
| Councillor Paula Fletcher | Ward 30 |
| Councillor Mary-Margaret McMahon | Ward 32 |

REGRETS

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| Brad Daniels | Director |
| Allen Malloy | Director |
| Tina Panagioutou | Director |

GUESTS:

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| Mike Major | Manager, BIA Office Economic Development & Culture |
| Rafiq Dosani | Auditor, Chartered Accountant |
| Joanne Doucette | East York / Leslieville Historian |
| Cathy Quinton | BIA Coordinator |

Total # of attendees: 17

1) CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTIONS

With no objections noted and quorum established, Andrew Sherbin presiding as Chair, opened the meeting at 7:15 p.m. Lucas DiGiovanni of Chartwell Avondale was thanked for the meeting facilities and light provisions.

Introductions

Andrew Sherbin introduced the members of the Board of Directors of the Leslieville BIA and thanked them for their past years' volunteer service. Special guests Mike Major, Manager for the BIA Office, City of Toronto Economic Development, and Joanne Doucette, East York Historian were welcomed. Remaining Members of the BIA briefly introduced themselves, providing descriptions of their involvement, either as a business or landowner in the BIA.



Councillors

City Councillors Paula Fletcher, Ward 30 and Mary-Margaret McMahon, Ward 32 congratulated the BIA on another successful year. Andrew Sherbin thanked the Councillors for their ongoing support, guidance and strong advocacy on behalf of the independent businesses of the Leslieville BIA.

Guest Speaker

Joanne Doucette gave a lively and informative presentation featuring history of Leslieville BIA business addresses on Queen St. E. between Vancouver and Empire Avenues. Members of the audience were invited to provide Joanne Doucette with the address of their place of business through which a short history of that selected business was revealed. Joanne Doucette advised the BIA membership that she is open to receiving requests of a similar nature from any BIA business interested in learning more about the history of their properties.

2. DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

None were noted.

3. APPROVAL OF THE PREVIOUS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

The BIA Membership reviewed the minutes of the January 16, 2017 Annual General Meeting and found there to be no objections or additions.

On a motion made by Tracy Kelly, seconded by Ara Mamourian, it was resolved to approve as presented, the minutes of the Annual General Meeting of the BIA held January 16, 2017. Motion carried.

4. AUDITOR'S REPORT FOR 2016

The Leslieville BIA Auditor, Rafiq Dosani, presented the annual audited financial statements for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2016. The Auditor reviewed the audited financial statements, briefly explaining each section. It was the opinion of the Auditor that the audited financial statements presented fairly in all material aspects, the financial position of the Leslieville BIA, as at December 31, 2016 and the results of its operations and cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for Local governments as prescribed by the Public Sector Accounting Board (PSAB).

On a motion made by James Lane, seconded by Lucas DiGiovanni, it was resolved to accept the audited financial statements for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2016 as presented. Motion carried.

5. APPOINTMENT OF AUDITOR FOR 2017

On a motion made by Ara Mamourian, seconded by Christiane Tetreault, it was resolved to appoint Rafiq Dosani as Auditor of the Leslieville Business Improvement Area for 2017 fiscal year, to hold office until the close of the next Annual General Meeting of the BIA. Motion carried.



6. COMMITTEE REPORTS

2018 Visioning Committee

The BIA revealed plans to create a Visioning Committee whose job will be to commence work on a Strategic Plan. The framework of the Plan will establish overall strategic goals, objectives and tactics to reflect the successes and growth of the BIA over the past five years, with a view to next level of overall development. The Strategic Plan once approved will serve as a filter through which major decisions will be evaluated.

Sub-Committees

Highlights of the activities of the BIA's sub-committees were reviewed by the Committee Leads, Ara Mamourian, representing Marketing/Events, and Andrew Sherbin, representing Development. The full sub-committee reports are available to the membership upon request. All members were encouraged to sign up for sub-committees to learn more about the Area, get to know fellow business owners, and to affect change.

7. PROPOSED PROGRAM AND BUDGET FOR 2018

A draft of the 2018 budget for the Leslieville Business Improvement Area was circulated to all attending members of the BIA. Andrew Sherbin reviewed and explained all areas, reporting a slight increase overall in Revenues versus proposed one year ago and very slight increase in Expenditures versus proposed one year ago. Copies of the full 2018 Budget are available to all BIA members upon request. There were no questions from the floor.

On a motion made by Jennifer Orenstein, seconded by Tracy Kelly, it was resolved to approve the proposed program and budget for 2018 as presented. Motion carried.

8. NEW BUSINESS

All were invited to share in the celebration of the Leslieville BIA's first five years, commemorated with a specially designed anniversary cake by Bobbette & Belle.

9. ADJOURNMENT

On a motion made by Ara Mamourian, seconded by James Lane, and with no further business to discuss, it was resolved to close the meeting at 8:23 p.m. Motion carried.

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The above minutes of the Annual General Meeting should be used as a summary of the motions passed and issues discussed at the meeting of the Members of the Leslieville Business Improvement Area. This document shall not be considered a verbatim copy of every word spoken at the meeting.