

Director of Finance and IT Services Robert Cummings spoke concurring with George, that more detail can be provided to ensure the BIA can see where the money is spent.

George then reviewed questions regarding the Procedural By-law, referencing section 4(1) and questioned why each member can nominate just one member to the Board, section 4(2) and rateable property versus exempt property, section 4(3) proxy voting and his concern with having to provide the proxy document three days in advance of the meeting. George spoke regarding appointment of the Treasurer of The Blue Mountains being the Treasurer for the BIA and noted section 7(1) should be clarified. George spoke regarding section 8(1) and referenced quorum.

Trish Smith, 12 Bruce Street South, Thornbury Bakery, spoke questioning the responsibilities of the BIA Board of Management and the responsibilities of the BIA. Trish noted she would like to nominate someone for the Board, but she needs to know what each nominee stands for before she votes.

CAO Troy Speck spoke noting one of the exercises recently undertaken by the BIA was a visioning session, but noted it was identified that the new BIA Board should be in place before proceeding with further visioning sessions. Troy noted that input should be received from the membership on the direction of the BIA, further noting that the new BIA Board will need to network among the BIA membership.

BIA Board Member Duncan McKinlay spoke questioning if the nominations to the BIA Board should be made ahead of the actual election to the BIA Board. Duncan then asked that the proposed timeline be adjusted.

Trish then spoke questioning what will happen if insufficient nominations are received for the BIA Board positions, Ellen replying that if this happened, it would show that there is no interest in the BIA continuing. Duncan then spoke noting the interim BIA Board would report to Council that there is not enough interest in the BIA continuing and Council may consider disbanding the BIA.

Troy spoke noting the new BIA Board can revise the Procedural By-law, once adopted, if that is the wish of the new BIA Board.

Ellen then noted this is a good opportunity to take the time to speak with other BIA members on the importance in attending meetings and getting involved.

Moved by: D.R. McKinlay Seconded by: Ellen Anderson

THAT the Interim BIA Board direct the Clerk to revise the Notice of Annual General Meeting scheduled for March 27, 2013 to include the call for nominations from BIA Members for five BIA Board Members; and

THAT the Clerk be instructed to conduct an election by secret ballot, if necessary, at the Town Hall, Clerks Office on Tuesday, April 2, 2013 from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. for appointment to the BIA Board of Directors, and that the Clerk and Communications and Economic Development Coordinator Lisa Kidd be the officers appointed to conduct the election, Carried.

H. Adjournment

Moved by: Ellen Anderson Seconded by: D.R. McKinlay

THAT this meeting does now adjourn at 4:25 pm, Carried.