



Board of Management
Tuesday, September 14, 2021
9:00 am
Zoom

MINUTES

Present: Evan Apostol (Chair), Stefanie Bonazza, Lisa La Rocca, Andrew Mantecon, Jason Morse, Sadaf Saljooki, Mark Wu, Francis Zanetti, Councillor Jason Farr, Kerry Jarvi, Emily Walsh

Regrets: Una Gibbons, Rae-Ann Roberts, A/Sgt. Asim Butt (HPS), Suzi Ozer

1. Welcome and comments from the Chair – Evan Apostol
2. Declaration of Conflicts of Interest - none
3. Agenda – **MOTION:** That the agenda be approved as presented. **Moved by J. Farr, Seconded by M. Wu CARRIED**
4. Approval of Minutes – **MOTION:** That the minutes of June 8, 2021 be approved as presented. **Moved by M. Wu, Seconded by J. Farr CARRIED**
5. Hamilton Police Services – Presentation by Inspector Ben Thibodeau, Inspector Frank Miscione, Staff Sergeant Dave McKenzie on Social Navigator and Crisis Response Team. **DISCUSSION:** HPS looking at wider projects to increase safety across the city. Have noticed some in encampments are from out of town and have been returned home. **ACTION** team is deployed across the city. Rolling our RIST (Rapid Intervention Support Team). **ACTION:** Kerry to invite social service agencies to a future board meeting.
6. City of Hamilton Update – Councillor Farr – Continued discussion on increases in negative behaviours downtown.
7. Financials – Tabled to October meeting
8. **MOTION:** That Michelle Blanchard join the BIA Board as a community member. **Moved by L. La Rocca, Seconded by J. Morse CARRIED**
9. Adjournment – 9:15am

Mission: The Downtown Hamilton BIA provides value to our members through advocacy, beautification, promotion, development and preservation of Downtown Hamilton.

Vision: A vital and prosperous downtown that is the focal point of Hamilton.