



Arthur Business Improvement Association
MINUTES ARTHUR BIA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
November 20, 2024 @ 7:30 PM : hybrid
Meeting space at Parish Hall Georgina Street, Arthur and zoom link

BOARD MEMBER ATTENDEES: Angela Alaimo Chair Chris McIntosh, Treasurer, Paula Coffey Vice Chair, Gord Blyth, Jim Coffey, Sheila Faulkner, Mitch Keirstead, Councillor Lisa Hern

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: Robyn Mulder, EDO, Bonnie McIntosh, Ray Hutchison, Caroline Paquet and Melissa Kooiman, Special thank you to Caroline for setting up laptop and speakers to assist with the hybrid nature of the meeting.

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS: Chair Angela called the meeting to order at 7:31 pm and thanked everyone for attending.

Motion 1 APPROVAL OF AGENDA **Resolved that the Agenda for the 2024 Annual General Meeting be approved as presented.** Moved by Gord Blyth and seconded by Mitch Keirstead
Motion carried.

Motion 2 ADOPTION OF 2023 AGM MINUTES **Resolved that the minutes for the 2023 AGM be approved as presented.** Moved by Paula Coffey and seconded by Jim Coffey **Motion carried.**

COMMENTS FROM THE CHAIR Chair Angela thanked all of the members for attending, and thanked the Board of Directors for their commitment and collaboration throughout the past year and made specific mention of Paula for all of the extras that she does like flower planting, coordinating, her organization of the Sip Savour and Shop event as just examples.

2024 TREASURERS REPORT Treasurer Chris presented the to date 2024 financial statements.
 See Schedule

2025 WORKPLAN AND BUDGET Treasurer Chris presented the draft Budget for 2025

After some discussion it was agreed that the draft Budget would be amended to include a line item for communication which would include but is not limited to message board, website, OWL meeting system and Poppy refurbishing although we will look for funding for some of these matters. The extra items resulted in an overage of expenditures but as we have funds on hand we proceeded with that authorization.

Our Workplan will consist of adding an icon/historical building banner, replacing bump out banners, replacing damaged plant pots, flowers being extended to bridge, refurbishing poppies, purchasing a used OWL meeting system and additional plans for message board, website and event budget.

Resolved that the 2025 Work Plan and Budget as amended is approved. See attached

Moved by Sheila Faulkner and Seconded by Mitch Keirstead. **Motion Carried**

Resolved that the 2025 Tax Levy shall be increased to 367.50 per property. Moved by Gord Blyth and seconded by Jim Coffey *that the Arthur BIA recommend to council that the 2025 BIA Tax Levy be set @ \$367.50 per property which is an increase of 5% over the prior year's levy.*

Motion carried.

Resolved that the Board of Directors for 2025 shall be comprised of the following members with one revision – Gord Blyth has resigned as Secretary only, he will remain a Director.

Board of Directors

Chair

Angela Alaimo

Treasurer

Chris McIntosh

Vice Chair

Paula Coffey

Gord Blyth

Jim Coffey

Sheila Faulkner,

Mitch Keirstead, Moved by Gord Blyth and Seconded by Mitch Keirstead

Motion carried.

ROUNDTABLE We had some discussion around lighting in the downtown area and it was agreed that as there was nothing in the budget, that we would individually purchase mini projectors for this year and investigate lighting for next year.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING The next Annual General Meeting for the Arthur BIA was scheduled for November 19, 2025. The next regular Board of Directors Meeting for the Arthur BIA will be January 15, 2025.

ADJOURNMENT Mitch Keirstead moved to adjourn the Arthur BIA Annual General Meeting at 8:40 PM.

Arthur BIA 2025 Proposed Budget

	2025	2024 YTD ACTUAL
Revenue		
2025 Tax Levy (55 @ 367.50 / property)	20,212.50	20,850.03
Interest	300.00	616.72
Total Revenue	<u>20,512.50</u>	<u>21,466.75</u>
Expenses		
Township loan repayment year 4 of 10	11,949.30	12,199.20
Downtown planters and baskets	4,500.00	4,144.92
Replacement planters	2,000.00	0.00
OBIAA membership	281.01	281.01
Banners	1,500.00	3,502.55
Event budget	600.00	324.09
Bank charges	20.00	12.00
QR code / pole wraps	375.00	375.68
Poppy refurbishing \$ 200 + \$100 / poppy	900.00	0.00
Communication / technology improvements	<u>4,500.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Total Expenses	<u>26,625.31</u>	<u>20,839.45</u>
Net Surplus	-6,112.81	

Net Surplus could be taken from the current account balance of \$ 16,375.71