### HALDIMAND COUNTY

Report EDT-02-2019 Business Improvement Area Board of Management Appointments



For Consideration by Council in Committee on February 26, 2019

#### **OBJECTIVE:**

To approve the directors on the Board of Management for the Caledonia Business Improvement Area (BIA), Dunnville BIA and Hagersville BIA for the current term of Council (2018 to 2022).

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

- THAT Report EDT-02-2019 Business Improvement Area Board of Management Appointments be received;
- 2. AND THAT the Private & Confidential Memorandum EDT-M01-2019 Addendum to Report EDT-02-2019 Business Improvement Area Board of Management Appointments be received as information and remain confidential;
- 3. AND THAT the following individuals be appointed to the Caledonia Business Improvement Area Board of Management for the 2018-2022 term of Council \_\_\_\_\_;
- 4. AND THAT the following individuals be appointed to the Dunnville Business Improvement Area Board of Management for the 2018-2022 term of Council \_\_\_\_\_;
- 5. AND THAT the following individuals be appointed to the Hagersville Business Improvement Area Board of Management for the 2018-2022 term of Council \_\_\_\_\_\_.

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Approved: Donald G. Boyle, Chief Administrative Officer

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

Staff recommend the appointment of the Caledonia, Dunnville and Hagersville Business Improvement Area (BIA) Board of Management for the current term of Council to carry out the role of each respective BIA. The nominees to the board are chosen by a vote of the general membership and the list is brought forward to Council for appointment.

#### **BACKGROUND:**

There are three Business Improvement Areas that operate within Haldimand County including the Caledonia BIA, the Dunnville BIA and the Hagersville BIA. A BIA is a body established by a municipality using the specific business improvement area provisions set-out in the *Municipal Act*, 2001. The BIAs

enraptures a specific geographical area, typically a historic downtown or commercial area of a community.

All commercial properties within the boundary of a BIA pay a special levy that is collected by the municipality to fund the BIA. A BIA allows local business people, commercial property owners and tenants to join together and, with the support of the municipality, organize, finance, and carry out physical improvements and promote economic development in their business district. A BIA is designated by a municipal by-law and is governed by a local management board comprised of BIA members. The local management board is selected by BIA members at an Annual General Meeting and ratified by Council.

#### **ANALYSIS:**

The Caledonia, Dunnville and Hagersville BIAs have now held their Annual General Meetings to select their Board of Management to coincide with the current term of Council, as well passed their respective 2019 budgets. Council approval is required to appoint each Board of Management.

Appointments to Boards of Management from each BIA can range from seven (7) to nine (9) members including a Council representative. If a vacancy occurs from any cause, Council can appoint a person to be a Board member, whom shall hold office for the remainder of the term for which their predecessor was appointed.

## FINANCIAL/LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:

In accordance with the requirements of the legislation governing, BIA's representatives from each BIA will be attending the February 26<sup>th</sup> Council in Committee meeting to present the proposed 2019 budget and provide an overview of activities that took place in 2018 and planned activities for 2019. The BIA budgets are part of the 2019 Tax Supported Operating Budget scheduled for early April.

#### STAKEHOLDER IMPACTS:

Staff across multiple divisions work closely with all three Haldimand BIAs on a number of different initiatives and to provide support from an operational perspective.

## **REPORT IMPACTS:**

Agreement: No

By-law: No

Budget Amendment: No

Policy: No

# **ATTACHMENTS:**

None.