# Wingham BIA General Meeting Hot Stove Lounge – Sept. 20, 2018 – 6:30 p.m.

**Present:** See sign in list below.

**Guest:** Laura Simpson, North Huron Planner

Call to Order: 6:40 p.m.

### Laura Simpson – Community Improvement Plan (CIP)

- North Huron received grant money from the province (\$42,000) for downtown improvement.
- CIP created by Planning Dept, with input from the community.
- Laura's report recommended coverage from Maple to Victoria St., but can be expanded.
  - based on areas where businesses front immediately along the street as opposed to set back.
- Hope to have suggestions, applications by end of October. Monies to be spend by 2021.
  - North Huron Council will have final say on distribution of funds with input from Ec Dev
  - Both Wingham and Blyth will probably have unique needs.
  - Funds could be carried over.
- Applications will be available on the North Huron website, with samples available.
- BIA to get information to businesses not in attendance.

# Advertising:

- Radio ads have started again. Will be tailored as to events (Festival of Lanterns, Christmas).

#### **Farmers Market:**

- One more date for the season.
- The bbq at lunch time has gone over well.

## **Upcoming Events:**

- "Soup's On" at Maitland Family Church Sept. 25
- "Fill the Truck" Food bank initiative. More information to come.
- All Candidates meeting Sept. 26, 7:00 p.m.
- Festival of Lanterns Oct. 26 List of volunteer jobs to be sent out.
- For the Love of Music is bringing in a Beatles tribute on Oct. ???
- Open Council

Adjourned: 7:50 p.m.

Next BIA General Meeting – Thursday, Oct. 4, 8:00 a.m – Hot Stove Lounge

## **Present:**

Dave Tiffin Freedom 55 Financial

Sandy Walker The Gift Chest

Annette Monsma Annette's Treasures Galore

Debbie Busby Sweets & Treats
Francis Mahew Sweets & Treats
Sandra Ambling Gemstone Essence

Brock Hodgins Rona

Doug Kuyvenhoven Wingham Super Storage

Dave Peers
Jason Schiestel
Petropolis
Mirali
Pioneer Gas
Dave Wallace
Ernie King Music
Gary Ballagh
Bill McGrath
Lisa Hearnden
State Farm
Petropolis
CKNX Radio
Tim Hortons
Foxton Fuels

Jim Snyder Snyder Concepts (partial)