Collingwood Business Improvement Association
Annual General Meeting
Wednesday, September 16, 2025
6:00p.m.

Linda Doan, President of the Collingwood BIA, opened the meeting at 6:00pm.

It was confirmed that quorum was established, and the land as acknowledged. We are gathered on the traditional, ancestral and unceded territory of the Coast Salish peoples – Squamish, Musqueam and Seliwitulh nations.

Linda Doan introduced the board members and staff and welcomed the guests. Special guest, Emily Boston, from the City of Vancouver Business and Economic Office. Linda, asked everyone to introduce themselves, name, business or organization and asked what their favourite destination to travel is.

**Approval of 2024 AGM Minutes**
The minutes from the 2024 Annual General Meeting were distributed with the AGM packages sent to all members at the beginning of September.

**Motion to approve the minutes of the 2024 AGM: Erwin Kong/Mony Sodhi, 2nd. All in favour. Motion Carried.**

**Treasurer's Report**
Mony Sodhi, Treasurer, presented the Treasurer's Report and Financial Statement. He invited attendees to refer to the statement of operations for the year ending March 31, 2025, as prepared by our auditors e-Focus Business Solutions. In the handouts it was noted that our levy including, Graffiti Grant from the City of Vancouver, other event sponsorships and interest earned for the 2024/2025 year was $246,010.00 and that our expenses were $281,793.00. Net assets at year end equalled $85,289.00 The excess funds will be earmarked for the street beautification projects. Specifically, the mural installation on Joyce Street, and street beautification projects.

**Motion to approve financials as presented: Linda Doan1st/Gin Fraus 2nd. All in favour. Motion Carried.**

**Review & Approval Proposed 2025-2026 Budget**
Members were asked to refer to the proposed budget with the expanded area. The CBIA levy would reflect a 2% increase for the current 2025-2026 budget $305,800.00 plus an additional $38,200.00 from GST rebate, Graffiti grant, sponsorships and funds carried forward, totalling $344,000.00
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**Motion to approve the 2026-2027 budget Linda Doan 1st/Michelle Kotowski Pui 2nd/All in Favour/Motion Carried.**

**Appointment of Auditor**
A motion was made to have e-Focus Business Solutions retained as our auditor for the 2025/2026-year end.
**Motion approved: Erwin Kong 1st/Stephanie Duran 2nd. All in favour/ Motion Carried**

**Board Nominations**
Linda Doan conducted board nominations. There was one new nomination, Mathai George Nooranal. The following board members have agreed to let their name stand.

> Linda Doan, Jas Parmar, Mony Sodhi, Erwin Kong, Cleo Yeh, Angel Zandvliet and Wendy Yeh.

There was a vote to accept all returning and nominated members including Mathai George Nooranal, as the new 2025– 2026 board of directors.

**Motion to accepted/approved returning and new nominee, Mathai Nooranal.**
**Mony Sodhi 1st/Lori Tsui 2nd/All in Favour/Motion Carried.**

**Year End Report Presentation**
Angela Evans reported on the Year in Review and encouraged the guests to review the Annual Report for the year in review.

Linda asked for a motion from the floor to adjourn.

**Motion to adjourn AGM. Michelle Kotowshi 1st/ Els Kushner2nd/All in favour. Motion Carried 6:55p.m.**