

O T T A W A VISITORS CENTER

**Board Meeting Minutes
June 17, 2019**

Present: Vice Chair: Hank Wolf, Secretary: Caitlin Parker, Kevin Bressendorf, Michael Cage, Sean Hodge, Heather Johnson, Tom Justice, Mary Beth LeSeure, Executive Director: Curt Bedei, City Liaison: David Noble, and Chamber Director: Boyd Palmer. **Absent:** Chair: Matt Skelly and Scott Struchen **Guests:** Julie Alaimo

Meeting Called To Order 5:00pm

Subject	Discussion	Decision	Next Steps – Motion
Public Comments	Julie Alaimo, owner of Starved Rock Connections Tours by Jules, addressed the Board of Directors and requested that provided promotional items be displayed at the Ottawa Visitor’s Center.	N/A	N/A
City Report-Noble	Anthony Place, Dollar General, Ottawa Dental Lab, Ottawa River Rescue, Tino’s, Ottawa Millwork, Ottawa YMCA, Heritage Harbor, Roxy Cinemas, Buxton, Downton Business District, Water Line, Rt. 23 Resurfacing, and Rt. 71 water main.	N/A	N/A

Chamber Report - Palmer	Econ. Development Task Force, Javier's Bar & Grill, Holiday Inn Grand Opening and Ribbon Cutting June 27, and Herman's Wine & Liquors.	N/A	N/A
Next Board Meeting	July 22, 2019	N/A	N/A
Next Committee Meetings	Wednesday, July 10, 2019– Operations 2p, Marketing 3p, Finance emailed	N/A	N/A
Review of Minutes		1. Moved by Heather Johnson 2 nd by Kevin Bressendorf	1. Motion to accept the meeting minutes from May 20, 2019. Motion carried.
Old Business	1. CLE, L-D Mural – No update 2. Central Life Mural – No update 3. OVC Board Re-Appointment/ Officers.	3. Moved by Kevin Bressendorf 2 nd Caitlin Parker	3. Motion to table the discussion of OVC Board Re-appointment/Officers. Motion carried.

New Business	<p>1. The OAC showed interest in renting the vacant space within the OVC.</p> <p>2. OVC Meetings – No update</p>		
Directors Report	<p>#OTTAWA letters displayed for about two weeks, big hit. Wine Fest was a great event and the shuttles could not meet the demand on Saturday from 1-6 p.m. Word of mouth was best marketing tool. Numerous repeat attendees. OVC was awarded the marketing grant from the state of Illinois. Paying for marketing up-front and grant reimbursement will arrive in August/September. Advertising and social media reports provided. Curt working to rent vacant space within OVC to Drew Ferracuti on a month-to-month lease.</p>	N/A	N/A
Committee Report	<p>Operations –</p> <p>Marketing –</p> <p>Finance emailed –</p>	<p>Moved by Tom Justice 2nd by Sean Hodge</p>	<p>Motion to place May 2019 Finance report on file. Motion carried.</p>

Adjournment	6:48 p.m.	Moved by Mary Beth LeSeure 2 nd by Sean Hodge	Motion to adjourn. Motion carried
Executive Session	1. Property Personnel Roll call going in – Michael, Sean, Heather, Tom, Mary Beth, Caitlin, and Hank. Roll call coming out – Michael, Sean, Heather, Tom, Mary Beth, Caitlin, and Hank.	1. Moved by Tom Justice 2 nd by Mary Beth LeSeure 2. Moved by Tom Justice 2 nd by Mary Beth LeSeure 3. Moved by Tom Justice 2 nd by Mary Beth LeSeure	1. Motion to table the property discussion. Motion carried. 2. Motion to enter into executive session. Motion carried. 6:03 p.m. 3. Motion to exit executive session. Motion carried. 6:47 p.m.

Minutes submitted and typed by Caitlin Parker, Meeting, June 17, 2019 - Quorum was established