**Elmira Downtown Development**

Minutes of Annual Meeting

**January 10, 2020**

Alive After 5 – Ill Eagle Tap House

**Attendees**: Chris Karam, Adam Bunce, Chris Coletta, Denise Allen, Kristina Cadwallader, Pam Brayton, Mayor Daniel Mandell, Michael Mitchell, Brent Stermer, Mike Collins, Chris Giamichele, Courtney Woods, Janis Witchey, Liz Fennell, Tiffany Millerd, Kylene Kiah

**Absent:** Emma Miran, Jennifer Swain, Donna Tangorre

**Staff:** Jennifer Herrick, Katie Boland

**Action Items-**

Call to Order**:** Chris Karam called the meeting to order at 5:04pm

Minutes**:** The 2019 minutes were accepted with all in favor.

Financials: Janis Witchey reported that the agency had a great year.

**Election of Board Members** -

Tiffany Millerd – Property Owner. Elizabeth Fennell – Commercial Tenant.

Chris Karam stepped down as President to become Ex officio President, Chris Coletta was elected New President, Kristina Cadwallader was elected Vice-President.

All voted in favor of new and continuing Board Members

**Directors Report:** We are looking forward to working with the Downtown Partners in the guiding of Downtown’s growth and vision. The last few years have brought big change and there is so much more optimism. We will be strengthening our special events this year and we are excited to see the growth that is happening in the city. Big thanks go out to the Board, The City of Elmira and the Buildings and Grounds crew.

**Awards:**

**Downtown Ambassador Award – Copy Express - Mike Mitchell**

**Milestone Award – Light’s Bakery - Julie Ferris**

**Community Impact Award - Glove House – Sherry Mandell & Kurt Bartenstein**

**Volunteer of the Year Award – Eric King**

**Person of the Year - Mike Wayne**

The meeting was adjourned by Chris Karam at 5:16pm and the real party started. About 750 people attended the Alive After 5 Winter Celebration. It was a great night!!

Respectfully submitted,

Katie Boland