

IABA Meeting Minutes 4/07/2026

The meeting was held at Fourth Lake Wine and Spirits. In attendance were: Lynn Durkin, Toni and Greg Rudd, Adele Burnett, Tim Brownsell, Jill Marsh, Jane Slack, Carrie Stallard, Stephen Cole, Holly Koeppel, Karen and Brad Gorea, Sharon Miller, Connie Perry, Jennifer Blakeman, Steve Young, Karen Kessler, Shana and Todd Marleau, Joanne Kelly.

The meeting was called to order at 6:30pm by Lynn Durkin.

Regular Reports:

Chair/Vice Chair: Jill reports that she has been in contact with the Adirondack Innovation Initiative (A2I) regarding their programs about remote work in the ADK. DisrUpstate Leadership Summit has 3 people registered for the June Program and there is room for more if anyone is interested. John Kalil presented Financial Literacy Seminars which were well attended. June 6th, VIEW will host Neighbor Day to connect with community, share your mission. Town of Inlet and/or any Inlet businesses are invited to set up a table. The event will be from 12 to 3:00. ROOST can offer lots of information regarding business promotion.

Treasurer: Jane reports BFC looks great and reminds us that payouts will be increase as we get closer to race day. Refer to her email for specific account info.

Secretary: With a motion by Adele, seconded by Connie, the minutes of the March meeting were approved.

Membership: Jill reports that there are 106 total members, 99 are paid for 2026, surpassing our goal!

Information Office: Adele reports that there will be a public hearing on 4/8 at 7:45pm at the Inlet Town Board meeting regarding a proposed Planned Development zoning change that would affect a building project on the Woods Inn property.

Prior Business/Action Review:

Notify Adele to have your business listed with ROOST and to start receiving their informative emails.

Adult Egg Hunt is 4/18. Prizes are still needed.

Facebook Page: Jill is continuing to work on both a private and public IABA Facebook page.

General Topics:

A committee meeting will be held on 4/15 at 6:30pm at Up North to discuss plans for a 250 Year USA Birthday Celebration. All are welcome to attend and/or submit ideas.

Julie Meeks has requested \$300 on behalf of the Inlet Historical Society. In Julie's absence, Holly explained that these funds will be used to purchase food for selling at the annual Car Show in July. The Car Show brings a lot of business to Inlet and hopefully will be supported by the IABA. Brad Gorea offered to personally donate that amount rather than use IABA funds. Several people offered their assistance to Holly regarding organizing and implementing the food sale at the Car Show. Thank you all!!

There is an upcoming Alzheimer's Walk at Fern Park, the 5th annual walk, scheduled for June 20th. Contact Linda Goldsworthy for more information or if you wish to participate in the walk or contribute towards their raffle.

A2I is offering Artists as Entrepreneur program (contact Jill for info)

CAA update: Trae was absent from this meeting.

Black Fly Challenge: Adele reminds us that the 1000 entries sold out within 2 weeks! The BFC committee will meet as needed and Adele will ask for volunteers for a variety of duties. Todd Marleau reports that the Fire Department plans to hold a spaghetti dinner at the Fire Hall on Friday, the evening before the BFC. It will be eat there or take out. He will let us know if our membership can help. This will be a fundraiser for the fire department!

Inlet Business Highlights:

Mountain and Main owners Shana and Todd report that they will be reopening soon and that flood damage has been mostly cleaned up. They say that this happens every year, but was a little worse this year because the flooding happened so quickly. They did not feel that the IABA as an organization could change anything.

Stephen Cole's bakery, Cole's Flour Co., is now open for business offering a variety of homemade goods, including breads and cinnamon rolls. Contact Stephen to place an order, in person or online.

Inlet Public Library requests participation in their Strategic Planning Discussion during our May meeting.

Town of Webb Career Fair will be held May 21st. See Jill about signing up to offer summer employment.

Our next meeting will be at the Inlet Public Library at 6:30pm on May 5, 2026.

With a motion by Holly, seconded by Connie, the meeting was adjourned at 7:35pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Holly Koeppel

Secretary