AUGUSTA TOWNSHIP

MINUTES ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & TOURISM COMMITTEE MEETING April 6, 2021 at 1:30 p.m.

PRESENT

Jeff Shaver, Gary Albers, Wendy Onstein, David Annable (left meeting at 2pm), Graham Houze, Mark Primeau, Lisa Severson, Doug Malanka, Bryan Brown, Annette Simonian, Myron Belej – Guest Rob Wright

REGRETS

- 1. **Call to Order** Chair called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.
- 2. Approval of Agenda Agenda Approved
- 3. **Approval of the Minutes** Minutes approved for the March 1, 2021 meeting.
- 4. Disclosure of Interest
- 5. Business Arising from the Minutes
- 6. New and Unfinished Business

Mayor's Breakfast

- Virtual event was very successful
- 40 registered attendees
- Thank you all involved.

Affordable Housing Project

- CAO explained there is a difference between the affordable housing as defined in the Provincial Policy Statement verses housing for the area that is affordable to buy and that they require different actions.
- Mayor Malanka is seeking clarification from the UCLG on which one they are trying to support.

UCLG Economic Development, Corridor & BIC Update

- UCLG has appointed a new CAO
- Corridor and BIC has nothing to report

Committee Updates

- The Planner provided an update on A&RAC committee activities
- Nothing to report of CDC

Roundtable

- CAO reported that planning and development inquiries at a level the Township has not seen before. He will provide a synopsis of the interest and inquires for the next Committee meeting.
- The Committee discussed how the closure are having detrimental effects on small businesses. The Committee is challenged to think of proactive ways they can assist small business during the shutdowns and beyond.
- Rogers was awarded the EORN RFP cell gap project. 300 new and upgraded towers will be built over the next several years for 4G up to 5G compatibility wireless service.
- Prescott Curling Club should be open for the Fall season.

7. Next Meeting – Monday, May 3, 2021 at 1:30pm

8. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 2:40 p.m.