AUGUSTA TOWNSHIP

MINUTES

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & TOURISM COMMITTEE MEETING May 3, 2021 at 1:30 p.m.

PRESENT

Jeff Shaver, Gary Albers, Graham Houze, David Annable, Judy Baril, Doug Malanka, Bryan Brown, Annette Simonian, Myron Belej, Jeanette Johnson

REGRETS

Wendy Onstein, Mark Primeau, Lisa Severson

1. Call to Order

Deputy Mayor Shaver called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

2. Chair's Opening Remarks

 Congratulations to Judi Baril and David Beattie on the success of securing money for the Prescott Arena

3. Approval of Agenda

Agenda Approved

4. Approval of the Minutes

Minutes approved for the April 6, 2021 meeting.

- 5. **Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest**
- 6. **Business Arising from the Minutes**
- 7. **Delegations**
- 8. Correspondence
- 9. New and Unfinished Business
 - 9.1 Affordable Housing Project
 - The United Counties are looking at both approaches to affordable housing.
 Making houses affordable to buy and building affordable housing.
 - Counties are creating a report with recommendations. The report will be forwarded to the ECTC at the next available meeting.
 - 9.2 UCLG Economic Development, Corridor & BIC Update
 - The Township is looking in a new direction. With the recent reorganization, the Township is taking the lead on the Industrial Park Development.

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9.3 Committee Updates

- CDC is encouraging the Township to recognize indigenous people.
- The Farmer's Market has been postponed due the Provincial shutdown.
- See CDC Minutes for more information.
- The AR&C is very busy. There have been several severance applications and other initiatives discussed at the Committee level. See the AR&C minutes for additional information.

9.4 Roundtable

- Reiterated that Small business needs political support right now.
- The Curling Club was successful in obtaining a Trillium Grant to make ventilation changes and other minor repairs
- Prescott was successful in securing Federal and Provincial money to build the new arena. Judi Baril and David Beattie are confident they can secure the remaining money needed through funding raising efforts.
- They thank Augusta for their support
- There has been significant interest in the Township and lots of things are happening behind the scenes. Look for big things to happen in the near future.
- Augusta is partnering with Prescott to conduct a Land Needs Analysis and Economic Development strategy.
- Glad to have Jeanette Johnson as an advisor to the Committee.

10. **Next Meeting – June 7, 2021 at 1:30pm**

11. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 2:15 p.m.