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MINUTES

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & TOURISM COMMITTEE MEETING October 4, 2021 at 1:30 p.m.

PRESENT

Jeff Shaver, Graham Houze, Rob Whittaker, Judi Baril (electronically), Doug Malanka, Dave Annable (electronically), Gary Albers (electronically), Wendy Onstein (electronically), Annette Simonian, Myron Belej (electronically), Jeanette Johnson (electronically)

Guest: Connor Savage (electronically)

REGRETS

Lisa Severson

1. Call to Order

Deputy Mayor Shaver called the meeting to order at 1:34 p.m.

2. Chair's Opening Remarks

Welcome new member Robert Whittaker

3. Approval of Agenda

Agenda Approved

4. Approval of the Minutes

Minutes approved for the September 7, 2021 meeting.

5. **Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest**

Graham Houze - Left room for any discussion on the Digester Project.

6. Business Arising from the Minutes

7. **Delegations**

8. Correspondence

9. New and Unfinished Business

9.1 Business of the Year

- Date November 5, 2021 for the Business of the Year
- Venue MERC Hall, hybrid event
- Catered by Brockberry
- Sponsor Burnbrae Farms
- The nominating sub-committee will meet this week to discuss nominations.
 Nominations due October 15, 2021
- The Camera Guy to video event for You Tube
- Speaker Ben Quennville. Theme: Longevity and Recognition

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- Suggested Speaker: Ben Quennville Jeanette to confirm
- COVID Passport will need to be shown as part of registration

9.2 Waterfront Access

- Committee discussed how to use the Dupont waterfront park area if it becomes available.
- Judi has some pictures and thoughts to share
- Committee agreed that the Mayor should contact Mr. Paul Brown at Dupont in the near future as a reminder that we are still looking to move forward with this proposal to use the land for our residents.
- Committee agreed to request a letter of support from the MP and MPP and a robust vision of what the Township and Committee were thinking would go a long way.
- Committee asked if there was a plan in place to purchase waterfront land if
 it became available. CAO indicated that it would be part of the strategy in
 the Economic Development Strategy being completed.

9.3 Affordable Housing Project

Report for Housing Affordability Plan from the Counties is available.

9.4 UCLD/Corridor/BIC Update

- The Corridor has been asked to review the housing crisis as part of their directive.
- Joe Hendriks is still actively seeking BIC business for the area.
- In three to six months, Township should be able to announce some big news for the area.

9.5 Committee Updates

N/A

9.6 Roundtable

- Curling Club's AGM and registration upcoming.
- Spirit of Giving campaign registration is pending.
- LG Approved Professionals will be hosting 2 events:
- Trade Show
- Year End Gala
- Some Doctors LG and Lanark won the Community Builder of the Year Award
- International Plowing Match for 2022 will be at the Kemptville College Campus and they are actively looking for volunteers.

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

11. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 2:50 p.m.