



The Corporation of the Town of Tillsonburg
Economic Development Advisory Committee

October 12, 2021

7:30 a.m.

Electronic

MINUTES

Present: Andrew Burns, Councillor Deb Gilvesy, Lisa Gilvesy, Jesse Goossens, Kirby Heckford, Mayor Stephen Molnar, Suzanne Renken, Randy Thornton, and Cedric Tomico.

Absent with Regrets: Jeff Van Rybroeck, Steve Spanjers, Collette Takacs and Dane Wilson.

Also Present:

Kyle Pratt, CAO
Cephas Panschow, Development Commissioner
Amelia Jaggard, Deputy Clerk
Kennedy Atkinson, Acting Executive Assistant

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:34 a.m.

2. Adoption of Agenda

Resolution #1

Moved by: Andrew Burns

Seconded by: Kirby Heckford

THAT the Agenda as prepared for the Economic Development Committee meeting of October 12, 2021, be adopted.

Carried

3. Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Resolution #2

Moved by: Kirby Heckford

Seconded by: Suzanne Renken

THAT the minutes of the Economic Development Committee meeting of September 14, 2021, be approved.

Carried

4. Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof

There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest declared.

5. General Business and Reports

5.1. Monthly Projects Update

Development Commissioner provided a monthly projects update.

5.2. Circulation of Planning items

5.3. Ministry letter RE: Site Plan Control Guide

Staff noted that the Town is applying for modernization funding to review planning services at the County level.

5.4. Economic Development Committee Terms of Reference

Members are encouraged to review the Terms of Reference.

5.5. Committee Attendance

There was discussion regarding attendance requirements.

5.6. Economic Development Strategy Update – Comparison to Community Strategic Plan

An implementation strategy will be brought forward when the annual business plan is brought forward for review.

5.7. Tillsonburg Hydro Inc. Update

There was discussion regarding the purpose of this agenda item.

Staff to invite the new General Manager of Hydro Operations to the January meeting for introductions and to request an update on hydro operations.

Agenda item to be removed. Staff to share hydro operational updates as appropriate.

5.8. Town Hall Steering Committee Update

Staff provided an update. A new space needs study is to be completed and presented at an upcoming Council meeting.

5.9. Affordable & Attainable Housing Committee Update

Staff to share updates from this committee when appropriate.

5.10. Boundary Adjustment Committee Update

Staff to share updates from this committee when appropriate.

5.11. Physician Recruitment & Retention Committee Update

6. Community Organization Updates

6.1. Downtown Business Improvement Association

Member Tomico provided an update.

There was discussion regarding homelessness. Staff to circulate staff report CLK 20-11 Emergency Shelter in Tillsonburg.

6.2. Tillsonburg District Chamber of Commerce

There was additional discussion regarding agenda item 5.1. Monthly Projects specifically the clock tower project and how a downtown master plan could help identify priorities. Town of Tillsonburg Central Area Design Study to be shared.

Member Renken provided an update. The Tillsonburg District Chamber of Commerce Awards of Excellence will be taking place on Thursday, November 18, 2021.

6.3. Tillsonburg District Real Estate Board

Staff to circulate Building Department third quarter results report when available.

Staff to request rental stats from Canadian mortgage and housing corporation.

7. Roundtable

Randy Thorton left at 9:10 a.m.

8. Next Meeting

Tuesday November 9, 2021 at 7:30 a.m.

9. Adjournment

Resolution #3

Moved by: Suzanne Renken

Seconded by: Kirby Heckford

THAT the October 12, 2021 Economic Development Committee meeting be
adjourned at 9:14 a.m.

Carried