The Corporation of the Town of Tillsonburg



# **Regional Review Committee**

Monday, April, 29, 2019 4:30 p.m. Annex Board Room 200 Broadway, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor

# **MINUTES**

ATTENDANCE:
Councillor Parker
Mayor Molnar
Councillor Gilvesy
Jesse Goossens
Mark Renaud
Shane Curtis
David Calder
Donna Wilson

#### 1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 p.m.

#### 2. Election of the Chair

The floor was open to nominations for the position of Chair.

Mayor Molnar nominated Chris Parker

Chris Parker accepted the nomination.

The members concurred and all were in favour of the appointment.

#### 3. Regional Review Committee Terms of Reference

Discussion took place regarding the Terms of Reference.

The committee approves the Terms of Reference as presented.

Expectations – To come up with a Tillsonburg option to take to the Provincial Government.

Planning and Billing Services has been mentioned by Oxford municipalities as requiring streamlining.

The Oxford CAO's are currently working through a process to do a service review for Oxford County.

Municipal advisors deadline for submissions is the 21st of May.

Municipalities can send letters to MMAH anytime.

## 4. Made in Tillsonburg Options

Two tier system – made in Oxford solution.

It was stated that single tier government will cost residents more in taxation.

Doug Ford continues to speak about the number of Politicians within municipalities.

Interactions with Elgin and Norfolk should be considered as they are part of the Tillsonburg catchment area.

Messages from the province are that the cost of government needs to be reduced.

Politicians, staff and departments are all included in the cost of government.

It was suggested that if there was a proposed reduction in the number of the lower tier municipalities then all lower tier municipalities should be part of the discussion.

Per capita costs should be looked at to determine efficiencies.

Planning processes seem to be a focus – to streamline processes between the tiers.

It was suggested that we need more information to rely on qualified figures in order to provide recommendations.

There will be an analysis on services when the service review by the CAO's is completed.

The RFP will look at efficiencies within the County.

The portal closes on the 21<sup>st</sup> – staff to determine if information provided after that date will be considered by the advisors.

#### 5. Next Meeting

The next meeting to be set for May 21, 2019 at 4:30 p.m.

The public meeting is set for May 16, 2019.

Staff to send invites to the BIA, Chamber and all committees.

### 6. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:00 p.m.